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JERUSALEM SYNAGOGUE

New Orthodox synagogue in Jerusalem is planned as a complete community centre as well as a house of prayer. Designed by architect Mordechai Ben-Horin, the structure has facilities for two kindergartens and playgrounds, as well as for youth and the elderly. The synagogue seats 275 men, and has a ladies' gallery. There is extra seating downstairs.

Network to boost aliya

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

Promotion of aliya will be given high priority in the coming year by Network, the national union of Jewish students.

A resolution to this effect was adopted at the organization's national conference held in the Airport Holiday Inn here during the holiday period.

The conference provided the opportunity for 267 students and young adults from across Canada to listen to speakers on a variety of subjects. (See also story on page 10). The tightly packed program of the 5-day parley began early in the morning with services and often ran late into the night with meetings.

Moshe Ronen, a York University student, was acclaimed as chairperson of Network Canada, succeeding Rob Gasner. The new Western Region representative is Debbie Yedlin, Edmonton; Central Region representative, Martin Krossel, Toronto; Eastern Region representative, Tova Sherman, Halifax.

The resolution on aliya, proposed by a Zionist task force, also called for: educating students about Jewish and Zionist history, providing hasbara (public relations) on behalf of Israel on the university campuses, supporting the Canadian Universities Bureau's training of Zionist leaders, one Network representative on each campus; and more planned and directed prayer, Hebrew singing and Israeli dancing. (CUB helped plan the conference with Network.)

A resolution from an Ethiopian Jewry task force expressed a "desperate need for funds" and committed

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ANALYSIS

Bomb racks for jets? a problem for Reagan

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

An important insight into President-elect Ronald Reagan's Middle East policy will be provided within the coming weeks or months when he is forced to decide whether the U.S. should sell Saudi Arabia sophisticated equipment for the F-15 jets it is due to receive late in 1981.

Reagan's decision, which Israel will monitor with the utmost concern, will be construed by observers as a test of the new President's policies toward the Middle East.

The bomb racks, extra fuel tanks and refueling planes that the Saudis have requested would enhance the effectiveness of the 60 high-powered fighters they ordered from the outgoing Carter administration in 1978.

Bomb racks would enable the Saudis to use the versatile jets for offensive ground attack missions, while larger fuel tanks and refueling planes would extend the range of the F-15 from 450 miles to more than 1,000.

Israeli spokesmen claim that under such circumstances the F-15s — which Israel also possesses — could be used against their country in time of war.

When President Jimmy Carter announced that he intended to supply Saudi Arabia with F-15s, much against Israel's wishes, he assured the Israelis he would not sell the Saudis equipment that could turn the F-15 into a military threat against Israel.

Until last autumn, there was no reason to believe Carter would renege on his pledge. With the outbreak of the Iraq-Iran war, which fanned fears in Washington that the balance of power in the region would be upset, Carter began to reconsider.

Harold Brown, the secretary of defence, and Zbigniew Brzezinski, the national security advisor, reportedly urged Carter to favor the Saudis' request on the ground that the U.S. needed to strengthen its position in the Persian Gulf in the wake of Moscow's intervention in Afganistan.

Last June, Brown met Saudi officials in Geneva and is said to have told them the administration was sympathetic but that no decision would be made until after the Nov. 4th election.

In October, Brown ordered a comprehensive study of the Saudi request. Later that month, Carter disappointed the Saudis by saying that he would not give them the equipment they wanted, citing his promise to Israel.

To sweeten the bitter pill, Carter offered to begin deliveries of the F-15 to Saudi Arabia a year ahead of schedule. The Saudis have yet to reply to the offer.

The question at this point is whether the Reagan administration will also agree to accelerate delivery of the jets.

More important, however, is whether Reagan and his advisors will overturn Carter's decision and supply the Saudis with the bomb racks, fuel tanks and refueling planes.

In Washington, the rumor persists that Carter, had he been re-elected, would have approved the request. This speculation, valid or not, became academic when the Republicans defeated the Democrats.

So it will fall on Ronald Reagan to make a final decision. On it hinges Washington's relationship with two of its key allies in the Middle East — Israel and Saudi Arabia.

It'll be wait-and-see until then.

Haig not Middle East expert but views on Israel "positive"

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Gen. Alexander Haig, named by President-elect Ronald Reagan as his secretary of state, is no real authority on all of the nuances of the Middle East. His real areas of expertise involve U.S. military affairs and the North Atlantic Alliance.

But make no mistake about it: the former supreme Allied commander in Europe is no slouch when it comes to the Arab-Israeli conflict either. He did his training under Henry Kissinger during the first term of the Nixon administration. Haig was Kissinger's chief deputy on the National Security Council.

Haig has deeply-held, personal views on the issues separating Israel from its Arab neighbors. He has studied the conflict and the region, focusing naturally, on overall U.S. interests.

The former general, however, has been extremely sparing in sharing his opinions with the public. A review

Gen. Alexander Haig

of his on-the-record comments in recent years makes that very apparent.

Haig, currently president of United Technologies, did go around the country addressing a few Jewish audiences in 1979, when he returned home from Europe. At that time, he was considering running for the Republican presidential nomination. He was, as the saying goes, "testing the waters." They were cold.

From Israel's point of view, nearly everything Haig said then was positive. Cynics might argue that he was playing to domestic politics, but other Haig associates insist that he was sincere.

Morris J. "Amitay, the former executive director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), recalled the other day that he had tried to encourage friends of Israel to support Haig's political ambitions — if not for the presidency then perhaps for the senate from his home state of Pennsylvania.

Amitay said he had met with Haig at the Pentagon a few years earlier. "He (Haig) talked at length about Israel's strategic importance to NATO," the pro-Israel lobbyist said. "He said it was a backdrop to NATO's southern flank," Amitay added.

Remembering Haig's shortlived venture into politics, Amitay said: "At the time we were asking people, in general, to support those candidates for various public

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Rabin said to be detrimental to success of the Labor Party

By GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —

If Yitzhak Rabin insists on remaining on the Labor Party's electoral list, "it will be a prescription for political suicide," according to Ari Rath, editor and managing director of The Jerusalem Post.

The personal animosity and the mudslinging of the past three months that characterized the party's leadership campaign and the bad feelings that obviously exist between Rabin and Shimon Peres, who was re-elected as leader of the party, "have gone beyond anything tolerable . . . even in the Middle East," Rath declared.

With a Peres-led Labor Alignment government seeming more probable, it will be important to mend the deep rift in the party, Rath said. Peres, if he becomes Israel's eighth prime minister, will form a cabinet that includes Rabin supporters but it is unlikely that Rabin, himself, will be asked to serve in that cabinet.

Rath, on a brief stopover in Ottawa during a hectic North American promotion of Jerusalem Post's international edition, believes that the poll predictions of an absolute majority for the Labor Party, if the elections were held now, are "an exaggeration." Even those disillusioned with the Likud performance would hesitate to give Labor such powerful control of the 120-seat Knesset.

"It certainly appears that Labor will capture more seats than it held prior to 1977, especially if it regains votes lost to various splinter groups, like Yadin's now defunct Democratic Movement for Change, but it is improbable that even a strong reunited party could wrest more than 48 to 50 votes from so divided an electorate," Rath said.

Rabin's continued presence "will aggravate the party factions and fragment the electoral vote. It is no secret that The Jerusalem Post, along with various Rabin friends, are pressuring him to step down.

"It is simply a pragmatic move," Rath explained. "While we are not openly enthusiastic about Peres, Rabin has shown himself not to be the best of team leaders. A man who can be so driven by pure personal hatred cannot be trusted."

How receptive will Egypt be to the resumption of peace talks with a reactivated Labor Alignment?

Very, says Rath. Even now there is considerable co-operation between Sadat's government and the Labor leadership, he said.

A recent 3-man Labor Party delegation to Egypt, led by Peres, met with President Sadat and then attended a day's symposium, held under auspices of October Magazine. "The discussions were seen, by the Egyptian press, to be one of the more encouraging, more open-minded developments to come out of the past year-and-a-half's stalemate," said Rath. "A Labor Alignment, supported by, for example, Ezer Weizman and the break-away group he is organizing, could reopen a dialogue and get the talks back on the tracks, with a more moderate approach. The Likud's ideological problems make any real progress unlikely."

Rath, like President Sadat, rejects the "talked to death" Jordanian option for the moment. Sadat would prefer to reach agreement with Israel, with U.S. assistance, on a formula for autonomy that both countries can live with, and then present a text to King Hussein for further discussion with the Jordanians and Palestinians.

Sadat, "as wary of an independent Palestinian state in Gaza or the West Bank as Hussein is, is even more watchful of his own position as peacemaker in the Middle East. Sadat does not want Hussein to jump on to the bandwagon he created. It is really a question of timing, not of principle," Rath commented.

The Judea-Samaria settlements erected with such urgency by the Begin government may well present a critical problem for the next government. "There is likely to be a vociferous and possibly even violent minority who will fight to keep the settlements viable," said Rath. "Whether these settlements are maintained or dismantled will depend upon what is in the balance."

Rath's personal feeling is that if the price of complete

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Mrs. Navon visits here

Ofira Navon, wife of Israel's president, will be in Canada this weekend to launch Project Enrichment for Hadassah-WIZO. She will be guest of honor at Hadassah events in Toronto and Montreal.

Galil Canada to increase settlements commitment

MONTREAL —

The Jewish National Fund's Galil Canada project has been so successful, its board of directors has approved a plan to increase the present commitment to build eight Jewish settlements in Israel's Galilee region to 14.

Although planned by JNF as a 5-year project JNF has, in less than two years, already surpassed its objective for laying the infrastructure for eight kibbutzim, moshavim and townships — a multimillion dollar undertaking in itself, said executive director Michael Yarosky.

Phase II of the project, to raise funds for an additional six settlement, goes into effect this month for an indefinite period. Canada's commitment is the largest of any single country in the world.

A grand total of 33 new settlements is being built in the Galilee by Keren Kayemeth in co-operation with United Israel Appeal and The Jewish Agency. The Israel government is now considering increasing that figure to at least 45 settlements, and possibly 50.

When completed, Galil Canada will stretch over 10,000 acres just west of the Sea of Galilee. The kibbutzim and moshavim will house 100 to 150 families each and the townships 200 to 300 families.

The goal of the project is to offset the two-thirds Arab population in the region. The area also touches on two strategic borders — the Lebanese and Syrian.

"Demand for homes in these settlements is such that there are eight applicants for every vacancy," said Yarosky.

Alexander "Bobby" Mayers is national chairman of Galil Canada and General David Ofer, who came to Montreal in August, 1970, after a 36-year career in the military, is the emissary in charge of fund raising.

Said Ofer: "This is the kind of project that reaches the hearts of people. These settlements are vital because they provide young people with housing and jobs. It's a wonderful opportunity for them and their children to build a new life. Those who could not afford the high cost of apartments in the big cities have traditionally been the people who emigrate."

Donations to the Galil Canada project have come from communities from Halifax to Vancouver, including a $1 million gift from the Christain Glad Tidings Temple in that British Columbia city. Subscriptions are available from $5,000 to $1 million.

"The beauty of this project is that it is not something on the drawing board; construction has been going on during the past year and people have already started to move into the settlements," said Yarosky.

"Galil Canada will have a distinctly Canadian flavor — an observation point overlooking the mountains of the Galilee will contain permanent markers of the names of all Canadian donors and will be dedicated this summer. There have been frequent visits by Canadians to the area to acquaint the residents with our country's contribution," Yarosky said.

UJA reaches 60% of goal - campaign plans stepped up

TORONTO —

Jimmy Kay, chairman of the 1981 UJA campaign, has announced that with four months to go before completion, the campaign has already reached 60% of its dollar goal.

In a roundup report on the campaign to date, Kay called this a "very healthy position, because we have not been able to achieve this type of result so early in previous campaigns. We must take note, however, of the fact that only 40% of the prospects have been reached so far.

"This indicates that we have a very substantial task ahead of us in the new year to reach all of those who have not yet made their pledges to the campaign. There's still a lot of work to do," Kay emphasized.

With a small staff core and more than 1,200 volunteers involved, the task required extensive co-ordination and strong leadership. "Many of the volunteers in upper level positions have been devoting almost all their time to the campaign," he added.

Meanwhile, an extensive program of campaign activities has been lined up for the coming months.

One of the first events planned for 1981 is a Chairman's Appreciation Night, Wednesday, Jan. 14, to which all group and division chairmen have been invited. However, there's a "Catch-22" proviso — as their ticket of admission, invitees must bring with them seven newly completed pledge cards with an average 25% increase per card.

The UJA chairmen of all the agencies affiliated with Toronto Jewish Congress will hold their initial co-ordinating meeting on Jan. 20. In recognition of the importance of the appeal to the total scheme, the agencies have each been asked to select a UJA chairman. Their job will include assuring that every member of every agency board is a contributor in good standing to the campaign. The chairmen will also mobilize their boards for high-energy UJA activities in February.

Plans are also well under way for Super Sunday, April 12, which will involve hundreds of people in a massive effort to assure that every Jew in Toronto has participated tangibly in the UJA campaign.

The annual Walkathon, scheduled for Sunday, May 3, is destined to have a new look, with numerous innovations now in the planning stages.

Already set as well is the fourth annual Prime Minister's Mission to Israel, Sept. 13-20.

$100,000 foundation set up in honor of Saul Hayes

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The Saidye and Samuel Bronfman Family Foundation has made a $100,000 gift to McGill University to establish the Saul Hayes Graduate Fellowship in Civil Liberties and Human Rights.

The endowment honors the memory of Hayes, the long-time executive director and executive vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress, who was regarded as Canadian Jewry's most distinguished communal worker and elder statesman. Hayes died Jan. 12, 1980.

The fellowship will aid students doing post graduate work in the fields of civil liberties and human rights.

Speaking for the foundation, Charles Bronfman said that Hayes could be considered "the ambassador-at-large for Canadian Jewry" **because of the work he did** throughout his life in Canada and abroad on behalf of all minorities.

In the late 1930's, Hayes was associated with Bronfman's late father, Samuel, in the organization of the United Jewish Refugee Committee and, in 1945, they attended the San Francisco Conference on International Security — the founding meeting of the United Nations.

In announcing the fellowship, McGill principal and vice-chancellor David L. Johnston said that "during his entire career, Saul Hayes was deeply involved in the advocacy of civil rights and the protection of the person from political, racial and militant aggression.

"As a consequence, I will take a particular interest in the fellowship, and will watch with pride the young men and women who hold it and advance the cause of civil liberties and human rights through their work."

The award will be presented each year to a promising graduate student in one of the social sciences, management or law. The fellowship has a value of up to $8,500 a year, renewable for a period of up to four years. Master's degree candidates will be eligible for smaller grants.

Born in Montreal in 1906, Hayes attended McGill, receiving a BA in 1927, an MA in 1929, and an LLD from the Faculty of Law in 1932. He was also awarded honorary law degrees from McGill in 1974 and from the then Sir George Wiliams University in 1970.

Hayes was involved in the work of the CJC from the time of its re-establishment in 1934 until his death. He served as its executive director from 1942-59, when he was named executive vice-president — a post he held until his retirement in 1974.

Corruption investigation leads to dismissal

JERUSALEM —

Herzl Shafir, Israel's chief of police, has been fired over an investigation into corruption charges against the minister of religion.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg removed Shafir from his post after learning that police officials had leaked false information to the press in a bid to advance the prosecution against Aharon Abuhatzeria.

Abuhatzeria, who represents the National Religious Party in the cabinet, is accused of wrongfully diverting public funds intended for building and developing religious schools.

According to Burg, Shafir, a former general, leaked information to the effect that six new witnesses had been found to testify against the beleaguered minister. Purpose of the leak was to pressure one solid witness to testify against Abuhatzeria, it is alleged.

FINAL PERFORMANCE

Sam Levene is seen with Salome Bey in his final role, as Sam Horowitz, which played at Toronto's Leah Posluns Theatre late last year. Levene died at the end of December. See story on page 8.

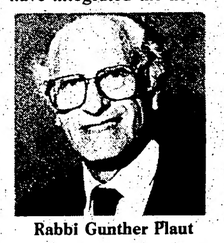
World News

Suggestions to make Russian Jews welcome

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

For the last 10 years — ever since the late Premier Alexei Kosygin came to Canada — getting Jews out of Soviet Russia has been a priority for our Canadian Jewish communities. But what to do with them once they settled in our midst has been another matter, and it is an open secret that for all too long there has been too little communal planning.

Our smaller communities have, on the whole, done splendidly. They have integrated the newcomers and have made every effort to help them lead Jewish lives. But large towns are something else again and Toronto is a case in point.



Rabbi Gunther Plaut

It is estimated that there are about 8,000 Russian Jewish newcomers in Toronto. They live very much with each other and concentrate around the Bathurst axis, north of Finch Ave., where some 80% are currently residing. The majority are 40 years and younger, but a sizeable minority are elderly people who are experiencing great difficulties in social adjustment.

The older immigrants usually came here to follow their children. Some of them have a smattering of Yiddish but a poor knowledge of English [their children are different in this respect; many of them learned English in school]. Like their children they know little of Jewish life, Jewish customs and, of course, of the Jewish religion. Basic terms like Shabbat, Yom Kippur and Torah often evoke only the vaguest response, if any. In that regard Communism has done its job only too well.

On one occasion several newcomers came to Shabbat services smoking cigars and cigarettes. When an attempt was made to explain to them that they had to cease, they were much taken aback. One of them said: "We came all the way from Russia to get away from being told what to do. Look what you are doing to us!"

The Toronto community has made Jewish educational facilities available to the newcomers and paid for their initial schooling in the Hebrew and day schools. But once the subsidies ran out, the children began to disappear from our school system. A little while ago there were only 30 immigrant children anywhere in Toronto Jewish schools — a dismal figure which speaks badly for the future.

Last year the Toronto Jewish community began to tackle the whole problem seriously and for the first time drew the immigrants themselves into a planning program. There is now a Russian-Jewish association with a chairman, and ongoing relationships have been established. At least a beginning has been made to overcome the existing feeling of alienation.

The intriguing aspect of this otherwise discouraging situation is that there is a strong residual desire in the members of the immigrant community to be part of the Jewish ambience. That should not be surprising, since they kept their Jewish identity alive under the most adverse conditions in Russia. Wherever an effort has been made to draw them in on a sustained and co-operative basis, it has succeeded.

One of the requests the immigrants are making is that Russian-Jewish reading material be made available to them, especially to their older folks whose reading knowledge of English is and most likely will remain minimal. Thus, it has been suggested that The Canadian Jewish News ought to have a regular supplement in Russian. After all, the older people are twice displaced: in Russia because of anti-semitism, and here, where they are strange to our community and its possibilities.

Others, however, argue that the great success of the earlier European immigration — some 75 years ago — lay precisley in that the newcomers made every effort to adjust themselves to and become part of North American life, and if the Russian Jews will have their own language supplement (questions of cost quite aside), should there also be supplements in French, Yiddish or Hebrew?

Personally, I am sympathetic to the newcomers' plight. Immigrants of two generations ago came out of a rich Jewish environment. They knew Yiddish and they had an opportunity to communicate at least through the Yiddish press. No such opportunity exists for the latest arrivals. Their situation is unique and we ought to make every effort to draw them and their families into our community. We must not allow time to run out on them.

Claim to be descendants of original Israelites

Black Hebrews— a problem

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Israeli government is beset by an array of problems, but none is as bizarre as the one revolving around the Black Hebrews, a secretive and polygamous cult which now has about 1,500 members living illegally in Israel.

Led by Ben-Ami Carter, the Black Hebrews claim to be descendants of the original Israelites, whose land, they claim, was taken from them unjustly by the Jews.

Consisting of U.S. blacks from the ghettos of Chicago, the Black Hebrews began arriving in Israel 12 years ago after an aborted attempt to build a colony in Liberia. On arrival in Israel, they posed as tourists, concealing from the Israeli authorities their real intentions.

The Black Hebrews settled in towns in the Negev — Dimona, Arad, Mitzpe Ramon — with the intention of establishing colonies throughout the country. They failed in their idealistic attempt to create model settlements. Instead, the Black Hebrews found themselves in bleak apartments, which turned squalid with the passage of time.

Carter, a foundry worker and self-proclaimed messiah, was accused by the Israeli government of disseminating anti-semitic propaganda. Indeed, a Black Hebrew publication spoke of Israelis as "sinful white Jewish dogs" and likened Menachem Begin to Hitler.

Israelis living in close proximity with the Black Hebrews never admired their lifestyle, charging them with voicing anti-semitic and anti-Israel statements, and accusing them of living in filthy conditions.

Fired by mutual acrimony, tensions flared periodically between the Black Hebrews and their Israeli neighbors, embarrassing the government in Jerusalem.

The latest instalments in this interminable controversy occurred late last year, when several hundred residents of Dimona staged an angry demonstration outside the town hall and demanded that the government deport the sect, and when Interior Minister Yosef Burg rejected a Knesset committee recommendations that the Black Hebrews be granted legal status in Israel.

The debate on the Black Hebrews is bound to become even more heated when a book by a Black Hebrew defector is published this year.

Carter, whom some observers have compared to the late Rev. Jim Jones of the ill-fated Peoples Temple cult of Jonestown, Guyana, claims the reputation of the Black Hebrews is being defamed.

"There is a smear campaign, a systematic program of propaganda by racists in the upper echelons of the Israeli society," he told The Washington Post. "The ancient Hebrews were a black race of people, and they say I'm racist. There is a parallel between the Israelis and J. Edgar Hoover (the former director of the FBI). The Israelis are waging a personal vendetta to destroy me."

Carter's accusation contains elements of the truth but does not reflect the government's true position.

While many Israelis are in favor of deporting the Black Hebrews, a relatively large number believe they should be allowed to remain in Israel.

David Glass, chairman of the Knesset law committee, recently completed a report on the status of the Black Hebrews, recommending a "moral, human and Jewish" solution to the problem.

Black Hebrews who had been in Israel for over 27 months would be given "established temporary resident" status and permitted to live there for two years. After that, they could apply for citizenship. Black Hebrews who had lived in Israel for less than 27 months would be eligible to receive visas enabling them to work. They could then request citizenship.

Glass, a National Religious Party deputy, suggested that the wholesale solution to the problem posed by the Black Hebrews lay in the establishment of urban settlements reserved exclusively for their members.

A rider attached to Glass' report advised the government to obtain agreement from the Back Hebrews that they would not be joined in Israel by fresh members, except for a few cases of family reunification.

Yosef Burg, the minister to whom Glass tendered the report, turned down his recommendations, ostensibly because he was reluctant to award the sect "a prize for infiltration." He said the Black Hebrews had no right to complain of poor housing or employment conditions. "No one invited them here," he said.

But the tale doesn't end there.

While the government is unwilling to accept the notion that Black Hebrews should be permanently settled, it is unwilling to expel them, fearing Israel would be exposed to charges of racism.

The Black Hebrews, not unaware of Israel's dilemma, have begun to tone down their militantly anti-white and anti-Israel stance, saying they are willing to stop increasing their membership. And Carter is spearheading a campaign designed to improve the image of his cult.

But the trouble he is going to may be for naught. A book due to be published by Tommy Whitfield, a disaffected Black Hebrew, could further tarnish the Black Hebrews' already tattered image.

Whitfield speaks of mysterious "disappearances" of cult members, marriages ordered by Carter, and unnatural punishments inflicted on members, including beatings, imprisonment, the shaving of heads, the confiscation of property and money and the forcing of miscreants to wander in the desert for 40 days.

Carter vigorously denies these charges, but the Israeli government is taking no chances. Recently, immigration officials started to tighten controls on blacks entering Israel at Ben-Gurion Airport.

Predictably, the new policy hasn't worked to perfection. William Raspberry, the well known black columnist in the U.S., says prominent American blacks have been pulled out of line for questioning. They include Bayard Rustin of the A. Phillip Randolph Institute, Joseph Allen, vice-president of the National Urban League and Kenyon Burke, associate general-secretary of the National Council of Churches.

The publicity hardly does Israel any good.

Meanwhile, a solution to the whole messy problem seems rather far off, given the intricacies and the passions involved. But this much is clear: the Black Hebrews are determined to live in Israel. Carter and his followers have vowed to commit mass suicide if compelled to leave Israel.

Chary of a second Jonestown, the Israeli government is not likely to do anything drastic. So the stalemate between the Black Hebrews and the government festers.

Courageous underdog image lost by Israel, says Amitay

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

"The greatest damage which the Carter administration did to Israel was not so much in terms of the concessions Israel had to make, but rather the effort to weaken Israel's public image in the United States," said Morris J. Amitay, who last month wound up six years as the executive director of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee.

"Israel has further lost the image of the courageous underdog," he told me during a wide-ranging interview, his first since leaving the officially registered pro-Israel lobbying organization on Capitol Hill.

"I don't think that it was an active strategy on the part of everyone in the Carter administration to paint Israel in the worst light, but there were times when certain elements in the state department and in the White House — in order to pressure Israel to get what they wanted — would point to the fact that Israel's status in the United States had deteriorated at the same time they were working to achieve that," he continued.

Amitay, who left AIPAC to open his own consulting business in Washington, did not spare any words in naming names. A good deal of Israel's problems, he said, originated with the outgoing national security advisor, Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski.

"There is no doubt that Brzezinski would often point out that Israel was losing its support in the Congress," Amitay said, noting that Brzezinski was following Henry Kissinger's technique. "Henry Kissinger, who used to analyze the situation faced by the Israelis, would paint a very pessimistic picture." But Brzezinski, according to Amitay, went a step further.

He charged that Brzezinski had "pushed for a confrontation" with the American Jewish community during the administration's 1978 package sale of F-15 fighters to Saudi Arabia "when with a little bit of good faith the administration could have achieved through negotiation with the Congress most of the package that they wanted to get through."

"He wanted to cripple the pro-Israel forces," Amitay said. "There's no doubt in my mind that the comment attributed to him — that 'we'll break the ass of AIPAC' — was a correct quote. Those were the exact quotes. They were repeated to me the day that he made them by someone who is still not in a position to verify them because he is an active media person."

Amitay went on: "Knowing Brzezinski in terms of his defensiveness, his character, the way he operates and what he was trying to achieve on the F-15 sale, there's no doubt in my mind that he, in fact, saw that as one of his objectives. Once that was done, I think he felt that the administration would have an easier time in persuading Israel what the United States was doing was in Israel's interest."

But in summing up his six years at AIPAC, Amitay pointed out that top officials like Brzezinski and Kissinger always have ready allies at the state department prepared to pressure Israel. He spoke of "the general anti-Israel bias in the state department . . . as they look at the wealth, power and numbers of the Arab world."

Amitay, himself a former state department foreign service officer, said the state department has a "natural inclination, almost institutionally built in, to be critical of Israel and to look at Israel cynically as being a creature of the American Jewish community — in terms of its influence in this country."

The state department's "Arabists in the Near Eastern Affairs Bureau," he continued, have an "elitist" view. "They feel they have all the answers," he said. "They have it all figured out. They are supporting the national interest of the United States and support for Israel goes directly counter to it. . . . They're not willing to give Israel a fair shake because of their preconceived notions."

Amitay said that some of President-elect Ronald Reagan's transition advisors "want to go deep into the bowels of the state department and root out that bias."

But the former lobbyist insisted that "that is easier said than done," adding: "You have to put these career foreign service officers somewhere. You want to use their experience."

But Amitay has reason to hope that the Reagan administration will follow through with its campaign commitments toward Israel. Richard V. Allen, Reagan's chief foreign affairs aide, arranged a meeting for Amitay with Reagan last summer at the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington. Amitay and Allen are old friends.

"I was impressed by his instinctive feeling that Israel was a worthy U.S. ally," Amitay said referring to Reagan. He contrasted Reagan's view with that of Brzezinski, recalling an early meeting he had in 1977 with the then new national security advisor.

"I remember that when I mentioned that Israel was an ally of the United States, Brzezinski brought me up short and said that there was no treaty between the U.S. and Israel. I asked, 'Would you call it a friend?' He said yes but he went to pains not to call it an ally."

As Amitay looks ahead, he is by no means gloomy. He suggested that Washington and Jerusalem "will continue to maintain friendly relations, perhaps with strains at times." But as long as "basic interests coincide," the relationship remains strong.

"I think this commonality of interests will keep the friendship and ties going," he added. "How close depends a lot on what's happening in the Arab world, what the Soviets are doing and how cleverly the Israelis are able to present their arguments in this country."

Israel's problems have been compounded "after a number of years of official spokesmen denigrating Israel's role as an asset and calling attention to alleged violations of human rights. There's an awful lot of work that has to be done."

Shaw announces plays for 81 season

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Three history plays by Bernard Shaw — Saint Joan, Good King Charles and Man of Destiny — comedies by Nikolai Erdman and Sir Arthur Wing Pinero, as well as a new version of Camille, headline the playbill for the Shaw Festival's 1981 season, from May 7 to Oct. 4.

In addition, a musical production is planned along with a dance program.

The announcement was made last week by Christopher Newton, the festival artistic director. "I am very excited by the season. It offers a variety of styles to our audiences and it will provide a stimulating environment for our acting company to test its skills," he said.

Shaw's Saint Joan, Nikolai Erdman's The Suicide, Tons of Money by Evans and Valentine and Camille will be presented at the Festival Theatre. Pinero's The Magistrate and Shaw's In Good King Charles' Golden Days will be at the Court House Theatre and a lunchtime production of Shaw's Man of Destiny will be performed at the Royal George Theatre, along with a musical production.

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Canadians sought to live on new Israeli moshav

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —
Tina Ornstein invites you to share her dream — one that is unfolding on a Galil mountainside.

She and her husband Eitan, 28, are the Canadian spokesmen for a moshav three miles south of Carmiel, between Acco on the coast and Safed, inland.

"From where you stand there, you can see the Mediterranean," she says.

At the moment, Shorashim's (roots, in Hebrew) view and location are about the only things to be seen. The infrastructure and temporary housing promised by the Jewish Agency has been delayed. Road construction is not expected to begin before the spring.

Yet, 13 North American families have already gone out to settle there, including two from Canada: Frank and Elaine Goldstein, from Halifax, and Zvi and Marilyn Ragol, of Toronto. The Goldsteins have two children in grade school.

Another Toronto family, with three children under the age of five, is moving there in the early summer. The Ornsteins themselves are going to Shorashim in the fall.

Montreal-born Tina is currently the director of Camp Shalom, a Zionist camp near Gravenhurst, Ont., sponsored by Hadassah-WIZO and the Zionist Organization of Canada. Eitan, the son of Toronto El Al manager Avraham Ornstein, is a landscape engineer.

What, besides the scenery and climates, is the lure?

In a nutshell, it is the promise of a pleasant lifestyle in a socialized community and a bright economic future.

Mrs. Ornstein is quick to point out that hers — theirs — is a moshav shitufi, in which the means of production are owned collectively and the profits shared equally among its members. It is midway between a kibbutz and a moshav ovdim, in which profits are distributed in proportion to what members produce.

"Unlike in a kibbutz, our members will own their own furniture and moveables. Each family will have the use of a bungalow. Those with outside incomes are not obligated to share it with the others," said Mrs. Ornstein. She adds that Shorashim will have no ideological or religious affiliation, although in the latter, most of its members are traditional.

"We have managed to convince the Jewish Agency to put the moshav's residence allotment directly at our disposal," she said. "Each family will be able to plan its own home, and we will contract them out together. This way, we will teach ourselves a new industry — one that we can sell to other settlements in the area."

Individual house plans will have to comply with the spirit of a master plan for Shorashim developed by U.S. landscape architect Christopher Alexander. It posits a piece by piece growth for the moshav, "allowing Shorashim to grow along with its members and not be there suddenly to overwhelm them."

Mrs. Ornstein stresses that its goal of a pleasant lifestyle "involves a certain amount of discipline.

"Our primary economic goal is to maintain ourselves through light industry and to do so right on site. We are not looking for people who want a bedroom community from which to commute to Haifa. We also want to maintain certain social ideals, like mutual aid and a warm and supportive environment.

The group vetoed Frank Goldstein's proposal to set up a private electrical repair company on the moshav — he is an electrician — but approved his suggestion of a builders' co-operative, something in which all the members will share.

One of the founders of the group, New York-based Andy Pearlman, has a doctorate in biophysics. He also has the credentials, ability and schlep to have interested a manufacturer of electronic medical equipment into sending his scanners to Shorashim for assembly. (From Israel, of course, they could be shipped to Common Market countries at minimal rates of duty.)

Already in operation is a small translation and editing service, by two of the wives there. In this case, by "there" is meant an established moshav near the Shorashim site, where its current members are housed and from which they commute to work, until Shorashim's own facilities are ready.

A garin (pre-settlement group) for Shorashim meets regularly in the U.S. Weekend retreats are held several times a year. Interested parties — specifically, married couples between the ages of 21 and 35 — may contact Mrs. Ornstein through Toronto's Israel Aliya office at 788 Marlee Ave. M6B 3K1.

"We're also looking for more businessmen to work with us. By no means are we asking for funds — the Israeli government has guaranteed that financing will not be a problem. What we are soliciting is more ventures and partnership."

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House of Commons reports immigration intake for 1981

OTTAWA —
An immigration intake of 130,000 to 140,000 for 1981 has been announced in a report tabled in the House of Commons by Employment and Immigration Minister Lloyd Axworthy.

"The plans for 1981 include a projected global intake of 16,000 government-assisted refugees. There will be more emphasis on refugees from Latin America and Eastern Europe, although it is expected that Indochina will remain the largest single source. There will also be an increase in the size of the contingency reserve, providing an expanded capacity to respond quickly to new situations that may emerge in the coming year," Axworthy said.

Refugees sponsored by private groups are not included in the figure representing the government's commitment, which means private groups will be able to increase the total number of refugees resettled in Canada.

"This level, determined following consultations with provincial governments and a number of non-governmental organizations, will enable us to achieve an immigration flow consistent with Canada's projected labor market needs while maintaining our commitment to family reunification and the resettlement of refugees," Axworthy said.

The minister pointed out that the level established in the report is an indication of the number of immigrants to be admitted next year, taking into account Canadian economic and demographic needs and the views of the provincial governments.

"The government remains committed to the policy that Canadian citizens and permanent residents will have the first opportunity to fill jobs and will be assisted to do so through the continuing use of training and mobility programs," explained Axworthy.

"Special task forces now studying the needs of the labor market during the 1980s will not be reporting until next spring. However, the economy will be expanding and projections already available indicate that not all our labor market needs will be met domestically. The recruitment of workers from abroad will continue to be necessary to meet some part of the demand for skilled and technical workers."

The minister paid tribute to the efforts of thousands of private citizens and sponsoring groups across the country, who have enabled Canada to play an important role in alleviating the Indochinese refugee problem. "The dedication, self-sacrifice and ingenuity of private sponsors have played an enormously important part in the total Canadian response to the tragedy in Indochina. As Canadians, we can be proud of that response, which has achieved international recognition."

Ballet school holding tryouts

TORONTO —
The National Ballet School will conduct its coast to coast audition tour from February to April to select new students for the 1981-82 school year, as well as audition ballet students who wish to become qualified dance teachers after taking a 3-year diploma course.

All children interested in a professional career in ballet should apply for an audition. Previous ballet training is not required for students entering at the Grade 5 level. Full or partial bursaries are available for students through the National Ballet School's student assistance program.

The school was founded in 1959 by artistic director and ballet principal, Betty Oliphant, who continues to direct a program where students start intensive ballet training at an early age. In addition to classical ballet, students receive classes in national and character dance, modern and Spanish dance and Dalcroze eurhytmics.

To audition for the teacher training program, students must be 16 years of age or over with a suitable background of ballet training. During the first year, student teachers observe regular classes at the school. In the second and third years they are given the opportunity, under supervision, to assist and, on occasion, take responsibility for teaching classes.

For more information and dates of audition, contact The Registrar, The National Ballet School, 105 Maitland St., Toronto, M4Y 1E4 or Katherine Holmes, director of public relations at (416) 964-3780.

Living Halacha

By RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: Harry Kemelman, in his series of mystery novels, presents us with the rabbi as a detective. Can a rabbi be a detective?

* * *

Kemelman's books are works of fiction: Any similarity between them and synagogue life is accidental. That's the only way to understand some of his lapses.

When he describes a synagogue service, it is like no service you ever attended except for the fact that there is a rabbi, a cantor, a congregation, and a synagogue in it.

In Kemelman's 1974 book, "Tuesday the Rabbi Saw Red" (a book I don't recommend), he describes a Friday night service, on pages 183-184, in this way:

"The cantor sang L'choh Dodi, greeting the Sabbath bride, and the congregation joined the choruses. Then came the responsive reading . . . and then the chanting of Hineni Heohni Me Maas (his spelling), the cantor's special prayer and a favorite of his, since his rendition of the chant displayed his full vocal range to good advantage."

Rabbi Moses Burak

This is followed by the Shema' and the 'Amidah. Now anyone who is a shul person knows that Hineni is chanted before the Musaf on the High Holy Days and never on Friday night before the Shema. Kemelman makes his own services. But, when he describes board meeting infighting at shul, he is very authentic.

Despite this, the theme of the rabbi as a detective is not unknown in the Talmud; it is not one of Kemelman's inventions. It may be important to cite some of those texts in the Talmud, in view of some of the good laughs about "The Rabbi and Oy Oy 7."

In Tractate Baba Mezi'a, 24 A, we find this story: "Mar Zutra, the pious, once had a silver cup stolen from his hospice. When he saw a rabbinical student wash his hands and dry them on someone else's garment, he said, 'There is the one (the thief) since he has no consideration for the property of his neighbor.' He had him bound, and he confessed."

Whether the binding included a beating, or was just excommunication, is an argument between rishonim. But, there is no disputing the fact that the Talmudic sage played the role of detective and found the thief.

A more serious case is presented in Baba Mezi'a, 83 B: "Rabbi Eleazar, son of Rabbi Simeon, once met an officer of the Roman government who had been sent to arrest thieves. 'How can you detect them,' he asked. . . . 'Maybe you take the innocent and allow the guilty to escape?' The officer answered, 'What shall I do? It is the king's command.' Said the rabbi, 'Let me tell you what to do. Go into a tavern at the fourth hour of the day. If you see a man dozing with a cup of wine in his hands, ask what he is. If he is a learned man, he has risen to pursue his studies. If he is a day laborer, he must have been up early to do his work. If his work is of the kind done at night, he might have been rolling thin metal. If he is none of these, he is a thief; arrest him.'"

These ideas convinced the Roman authorities that Rabbi Eleazar was the man they needed, and he was placed in charge of this work. "Thereupon Rabbi Joshua, son of Karhah, sent word to him: 'Vinegar, son of wine! How long will you deliver up Hashem's children to slaughter!' Back came the reply: 'I weed out thorns from the vineyard.' Whereupon Rabbi Joshua retorted: 'Let the owner of the vineyard himself come and weed out the thorns.' " Later, Rabbi Eleazar's conscience was troubled."

When another sage, Rabbi Yishmael, son of Rabbi Jose, became a detective, Elijah the Prophet reproved him for it, according to this gemarra. But, when in a later age Rabbi Ezekiel Landau Z. L. saved the Jews of Prague from being poisoned by an anti-semitic baker, it gained for him much praise.

If the rabbi is to play the role of detective in our time, let him go out and find the lost souls and the missing people. Let him find those who never come to shul, those who never send their children to learn Torah, those who don't contribute to UJA, those who don't support Israel. For this, no one will upbraid him.

Israeli scientist predicts earthquake in Galilee area

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —
A torrent of inquiries has reached Weizmann Institute geophysicist Ari Ben-Menahem in recent weeks following his statement that a fairly serious earthquake was overdue in the Galilee and might strike the area soon.

The questions have come primarily from individual residents and municipal authorities in northern Israel, who are anxious to determine whether the danger is really imminent and, if so, what should be done to meet it. Insurance companies have also been calling, presumably to determine whether they should raise their premiums on structures in the Galilee.

Ben-Menahem is always careful to point out that there is no way of knowing exactly when an earthquake will strike. But, he adds, there is a clear periodic pattern to quakes. In southern Italy, as was demonstrated again only last month, serious earth tremors can be expected on the average of every 70 years. Quakes that are less serious — but still significant — occur at roughly 140-year intervals in northern Israel.

The last big one took place in 1837 and very nearly leveled the picturesque Galilee town of Safed, which happened to be near the epicentre of the quake. If the next one should be centred in a relatively unsettled area, it won't, of course, do much damage; if not, then damage could be as great as in 1837, says Ben-Menahem.

There are some Israelis who have criticized the Weizmann Institute geophysicist for making such an "alarmist" statement, but he rejects this criticism. "The danger exists whether we talk about it or not, and," he goes on, "perhaps bringing up the problem will make it more likely that something is done about it."

Prof. Ben-Menahem clearly understands that financial considerations preclude making all buildings earthquake-proof. However, he thinks that in quake-prone areas there is every justification for taking special precautions in regard to critical structures like bridges, power plants, schools and hospitals.

The institute scientist also has something to say about possible difficulties at the southern end of the Dead Sea, likewise a danger zone.

According to a plan presently under serious consideration, a canal would be built to bring water from the Mediterranean to a plateau overlooking the southern end of the Dead Sea, be stored there behind a dam, and then dropped, through turbines, into the Dead Sea's rapidly evaporating waters.

However, the dam — if built at the site presently envisaged — could well be destroyed in a quake. As a matter of fact, says the Weizmann Institute scientist, it would have been destroyed by earth tremors that struck the region in April 1979 had it existed at that time.

Ben-Menahem, who was trained at Cal Tech in earthquake-prone California, has far more historical data on which to base his predictions of future seismic events than do most of his counterparts elsewhere.

Researchers in other countries, with the exception of China, are lucky to have reliable information going back a few hundred years; here it goes back a few thousand, thanks to detailed reports on quakes that appear in the Bible as well as in ecclesiastic histories compiled by churchmen in the post-Biblical era.

Who, indeed, could more vividly describe seismic activity than it is described in First Kings 19:11 (for the period of about 900 B.C.):

"And behold the Lord passed by.
and a great and strong wind rent the mountains,
and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord.
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Dawn of a new era?

The recent report in The CJN that Jewish students at two Ontario universities have formed a political alliance with Ukrainian colleagues to pursue a common cause against Soviet repression of dissidents is a startling item, given the image of the relationship between these two people in history.

The conventional wisdom has it that before and during the Holocaust, Ukrainians were among the most rabid anti-semites and that during World War II they were among the most avid hunters and executioners of Jews. Survivors have described with special horror the participation of individual Ukrainians in the most zealous of the SS squads and in the cadres of concentration camp guards.

But two points must be stressed. Ukrainian historians deny categorically this perception of Ukrainian-Jewish relations. Secondly, the behavior of certain elements within Ukrainian society in Europe before and during World War II can in no way be generalized to include all Ukrainians. In Canada, for example, Ukrainian-Canadians have enjoyed congenial relationships with Jews.

Philip Friedman, probably the most scholarly researcher on the Holocaust (whose Yiddish and Hebrew writings on the subject have now been translated into English in a book entitled "Roads to Extinction," Jewish Publication Society) indicates in his approach to the subject that far too little research has been done for one to make absolute statements about Ukrainian-Jewish relations.

Friedman, who died more than a decade ago, pointed out that in the Soviet Ukraine it has been impossible to document with any certainty the fate of Jews because of the refusal of the Russians to open their archival materials. Most of the information in the possession of researchers comes from eyewitness accounts of survivors.

"Conceivably, the picture which emerges from the numerous eyewitness testimonies, records, and diaries may be somewhat one-sided . . . however, the concurrence in detail of so many of the reports, written independently and under diverse circumstances, is ample warranty for their evidentiary admissibility."

The latter reports plus the written records left by the Nazis and their Ukrainian collaborators [all of which were sifted meticulously by Friedman] reveal an appalling picture of co-operation between the Nazis and certain Ukrainian groups before and during the war.

In the 30s, extremist nationalist groups sought help from Hitler to further their aims against Russia. When war broke out the OUN (Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists) furnished the Nazis with manpower sufficient to create two military units, the "Roland" and the "Nachtigall."

Friedman makes the observation that when the Nazis occupied the Ukraine, the moderate elements such as the Ukrainian National Democratic Union [UNDO] — which had no anti-semitic policies towards Jews — were completely submerged by pro-Nazi collaborationist groups.

"These elements sought to curry favor with the Germans through anti-semitic activities. Thus to the traditional anti-semitism and to the anti-semitism "on principle" there was added a new brand — a kind of circumstantial anti-semitism. Many Ukrainians who had never before manifested any anti-semitic attitudes, and had even maintained friendly relations, were now eager to demonstrate their anti-semitism, since this was a quick means of acquiring wealth, prestige and power in the new political constellation," says Friedman.

The Nazis, of course, welcomed this zealotry because it let them off the hook to some extent. Ukrainian Nazis spread stories about Jews having denounced Ukrainian nationalists to the Soviet secret police. In Lowow, Tarnopol, Sambor and Zolkiew Jews were murdered by rampaging Ukrainian mobs. "In several places the Ukrainian population, on its own initiative, established concentration camps for Jews."

The picture is not monochromatic.

Philip Friedman feels that the pro-Nazi Ukrainians would never have reached positions of power or influence in normal times. Moreover, there were examples of pro-Jewish activity among members of the Uniate Church, especially on the part of the Metropolitan Andreas Shepitsky. The latter, a respected divine, issued formal denunciations of anti-semitic activities and personally helped in the rescue of individual Jews.

Ukrainian Baptists, notes Friedman, were helpful to Jews in Volhynia and Seventh Day Adventists in Galicia concealed persecuted Jews. Such courage was found only among a handful of righteous individuals.

Perhaps a whole new era is dawning as a result of the action of the Jewish and Ukrainian student groups. The beginning of a new decade is a good time for a new start . . . for greater understanding.

Diary of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On Jan. 13, 1898, eminent writer Emile Zola's "J'Accuse" hit the news stands of France.

The article charged the government with "high treason against humanity" by channeling popular rage from its own machinations to a defenceless Jew. It marked the turning point in the struggle for justice for Captain Alfred Dreyfus, falsely convicted of treason five years earlier. Many of its ramifications are felt to this day.

A bitter war raged in France throughout the 19th century. An alliance of the nobility, clerics and the military sought to regain decisive control of the government. From slander to assassination and fomenting riots, the entire gamut of political weaponry was used. The bulk of the press, controlled from above, clamored for the destruction of the Third Republic and the restoration of the monarchy.

The disproportionate Jewish involvement in bankruptcy scandals at the time and the obvious success of Jewish financiers like the Rothschilds, as impeccable as their behavior was, were used to charge that republicanism was controlled by corrupt Jewish financiers.

Dreyfus, a member of a wealthy and largely assimilated Alsace family, was one of the few Jewish officers in the French army. On Oct. 15, 1894, he was arrested and charged with selling military secrets to Germany. He was quickly convicted — through conspiracy and the use of forged documents as was later proven.

In a scene as memorable to that generation of Jewry as the one of the ghetto boy with raised arms is to our own, Dreyfus was publicly stripped of his commission and humiliated. All the while, the mobs, whipped up by the press, shouted: "Death to the Jews."

Zola, whose 20-volume novel cycle depicted the decay of society under Napoleon III, became a leading voice crying for an impartial re-examination of the evidence against Dreyfus. From 1896-7, he wrote a series of articles clarifying misconceptions about Jews, and contrasted, for example the advanced Jewish concept of the unity of mankind with the racist's peculiar hatreds. Zola was accused of being in Jewish pay.

J'Accuse was a bombshell, bringing to a head the struggle that promised to fester for as long as it would take Dreyfus to rot on Devil's Island. The government's immediate reaction was to sentence Zola to prison, and he had to flee to England. But soon after, an unparalleled resurgence of public pressure forced an official re-examination of the Dreyfus case.

A re-trial in September, 1899, based on the same military "evidence," found Dreyfus guilty once more, but handed down a reduced sentence. An unsatisfied public demanded—more, and so a pardon was arranged.

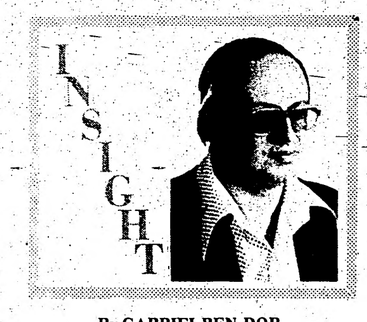
A firmly established anti-monarchist government in 1904 undertook an impartial review of the case. Two years later, a court of appeal declared it completely unsubstantiated. Dreyfus was exonerated without a further trial — 12 years after his arrest.

Zola anticipated the decision in a novel he wrote — his hero exonerated of a blood libel charge and his accusers ridiculed. Zola was murdered however, in 1904, before he could witness the true-life vindication of Dreyfus and before he could make a much-publicized trip to the Holy Land to gather material for a novel on Zionism. His death, from carbon monoxide poisoning, was due to a chimney aparently blocked by a reactionary fanatic who had gained access to Zola's apartment disguised as a workman.

Zola had helped redeem the honor and dignity of the Jews of Western Europe. But his actions could not prevent a significant loss of faith in assimilation, in the good faith of government and social institutions. Many Jews saw the mob as the rule and Zola as the exception. Among them was Theodor Herzl.

In the long run, Zola's victory for Dreyfus was not a decisive one for France. The struggle between reactionary and enlightened elements is still raging. Jews continue to head the list of casualties.

Resumption of Mideast talks indicated; Saudi Arabia likely to join in this time



By GABRIEL BEN-DOR

It is becoming increasingly obvious that the diplomacy of the Arab-Israeli conflict is conspicuously geared to the quadri-annual electoral cycle in the United States and Israel, due to the pivotal role that the relationship between these two countries plays in the fundamental equation of Middle East politics.

Thus, dramatic events occurred in 1968-70; 1973-75, and again in 1977-78, while relative periods of low intensity were in existence in 1970-73, 1975-1977 and again in 1979-80. Now that the U.S. presidential election is over, the Israeli elections will be held no later than 11 months away, and there is every reason to believe that shortly thereafter the diplomatic process will gain momentum rapidly.

This expectation assumes that by then the hostage crisis will be resolved and that the Iranian-Iraqi war will no longer occupy such a central role in regional politics. It is also assumed — in Washington, Cairo and Riyadh — that the Israeli government that will be formed after the elections will be able and willing to participate in an effort to build a more comprehensive peace settlement by a more active negotiating stance on the Palestinian question, and by making greater concessions on that issue.

While everyone assumes that even if the Likud wins the next election, a post-election Likud government will be stronger and thus more willing to take political risks, the bets are increasingly in a comfortable electoral victory for the Labor Alignment, an eventuality that all the polls clearly predict (although it is a bit early, and the pollsters have been wrong before more than once!).

Thus, the signs are multiplying that several key forces in the diplomacy of the Middle East are already preparing for the next stage in the peace process which, in their view, will include a Reagan-led U.S., a Peres-led Israel, and a Saudi Arabia chastened by the Iranian revolution, the Mecca uprising and the Gulf war.

Already manifold talks on various levels are discernible between Cairo and Riyadh, as well as between these two and Washington, not to mention the almost obligatory pilgrimage that the various leaders of the Israeli Labor party make to Cairo. Above all, this extensive present and future-oriented diplomatic activity raises the question of the role of one crucially important participant in the emerging game plan. That participant is Jordan.

Immediately in the wake of the Israeli-Egyptian peace negotiations, a split appeared in Israel between those who believed in the future of an Egyptian-Israeli peace even if isolated from the other countries in the region, and who felt that it was necessary to protect the fledgling relationship by evolving it into a more comprehensive arrangement involving further Arab Contries — thus breaking Egypt's isolation and isolating instead the radical rejectionist forces.

The latter view was held by people like Dayan, who felt that the next country to be brought into the peace process had to be Syria, which was of pivotal importance, and whose territory involved did not raise the sensitivities inherent in the delicate Palestinian quagmire. Dayan went as far as publicly hinting that should Syria enter the peace process, the arrangements made in the Sinai with Egypt might be applicable to the Golan Heights, for which he was chastened by the true believers in Begin's entourage, **while Begin himself refused to join the attack on** his then foreign minister.

As is well known, this was not to be. The Syrians — heavily involved in Lebanon, torn by fratricidal violence at home, and engaging in historical one-upmanship vs. both Egypt and Iraq — refused to have anything to do with the post-Camp David process, and instead opted for membership in the rejectionsit camps, inextricably allied with the PLO, and ever closer to the Soviet Union, which of course has every reason to subvert the post-Camp David Pax Americana in the Middle East.

Thus, by now, those who seriously entertain thoughts of expanding Camp David into a more comprehensive framework inevitably return to the "Jordanian option" which was never liked by the Likud, but has been traditionally the brainchild of Labor — as recently demonstrated in Foreign Affairs by the party's leader, Peres, and in a party forum by Galili, who has formulated innumerable policy documents for the party in the last decade or so.

The Jordanian option has several versions. What they have in common is (a) an exclusion of the PLO as the representative of the Palestinians; (b) accepting **two, not** three states between the Mediterranean and Iraq, and (c) stabilizing the area by not allowing a small, entity to emerge in the territories. Beyond that, some believe that Israel should evacuate (under conditions of demilitarization) the Arab-populated areas of the West Bank (the Allon plan), whereas others (eg. Sharon) reject this.

Some believe (eg. Rabin in the past) that this Jordanian-Palestinian state should be ruled by Hussein, who will be a pro-Western, reasonable, stabilizing influence, while others (eg. Galili's latest report) openly entertain the possibility of Palestinian domination in such an entity, not necessarily excluding even PLO-affiliated elements.

The central idea is that once the Jordanian option is seriouly offered, it will be accepted by the Hashemite regime in Amman in some form, and then this will be accompanied by the blessing of the Saudis and their friends and allies in the Arab world, all under the umbrella of a more active, potent and consistent American under Reagan — thus creating the makings of a more stable regional order. Such a sequence of ideas is entertained nowadays in more and more minds in the various capitals involved.

One big question to be asked, of course, is what the Jordanians themselves are after.

Some observers draw interesting — and optimistic — conclusions from the active, enthusiastic support given by Jordan to Iraq in the war against Iran. While it is easy — and tempting — to explain this simply that Jordan is simply paying fairly cheap lip service to the cause of Arab nationalism to protect its own questionable legitimacy (a course followed consistently since the Rabbat conference in 1974 when Jordan accepted the Arab League resolution naming the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinians), at least one major alternative explanation is also plausible.

According to this, Jordan is really acting as a Saudi (and by implication also American) proxy offering help to Iraq in return for a future Iraqi split with the other rejectionists (which in any case support Iran in the war), thus neutralizing Iraq's opposition to a future Jordanian participation in the peace process and isolating Syria, which is indeed expected to object vehemently. In fact, one of the two demands presented by Syria in the recent confrontation with Jordan was that the latter declare its continued adherence to the Rabbat formula, so apparently the Syrians believe that Amman is, after all, preparing seriously for the Jordanian option.

There are many pieces (regional and global) missing in this baffling puzzle. None is more important, it seems, than the domestic factor in Jordan itself. Apparently, the court in Amman is split between Crown Prince Hassan (and his faction) who genuinely accept the Rabbat formula and find the West Bank and its volatile Palestinians a great nuisance. They value the added status in the Arab world, and look for prosperity and stability in the East Bank. And there is King Hussein, who is bound by the tradition that the West Bank is the legacy bequeathed to him by his grandfather Abdallah (who was murdered on account of this). Besides, Hussein believes that an exclusivley East Bank Jordan is but an unimportant desert sheikdom, while a Jordan controlling the West Bank and its holy places is an important world attraction for pilgrims, tourists and many millions of believers.

And yet, Hussein has been hesitant; some people argue that this was due to the fact that under the Camp David formula his role would have been limited and inadequate.

Would he enter the picture if the present Jordanian option were offered? Or can he be threatened into joining by the fear of the emerging Palestinian majority in his kingdom? How will that majority eventually affect Jordanian perceptions? How strongly are the Saudis really committed to such a course, and can they "deliver" Jordan?

Of course, the answers are unknown. They relate to a future about which we are genuinely uncertain. And yet, the signs clearly indicate that these questions will become increasingly crucial in the next few months.

It is yet another irony in the tragic history that in the long struggle between Jews and Arab for the Land of Israel ("Palestine" for the Arabs), the key role in the next stage may be played by the Hashemite regime, which is truly an alien creature of Bedouin newcomers established by British imperialism. This is one of the few historical truths acknowledged by Jews and Arabs alike.

In Israeli politics, obvious exceptions underscore declining role of women

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

Whether the forthcoming Knesset elections are held next November, as scheduled, or early in 1981, as the great majority of Israelis would prefer, they are still likely to leave women as outsiders on the local political scene.

At present, in fact, the only women of any consequence in Israeli politics head parties that are of no consequence.

For both Shulamit Aloni of the left-wing Citizens' Rights Movement, with one member in the current Knesset, and Guela Cohen of the right-wing Tehiya Movement, with two, are no more than colorful curiosities. In the major parties, where the power lies, women have only token representation or no representation at all.

It is strange that this should be the case in one of just five nations — India, Sri Lanka, Romania and Britain being the others — that have ever been run by women in modern times. But Israel's Golda Meir, like India's Indira Ghandi or Britain's Margaret Thatcher, was the exception that proved the rule. Here, indeed, Golda was the only woman ever to have held a cabinet post.

Contrary to the trend in other spheres of Israeli life, the role of women in politics has actually been declining. While there were 11 or 12 feminine MKs in the early Knessets, the present Knesset has only nine. Moreover, the two most important Knesset committees — finance and defence and foreign affairs — are now without a single woman member. Most of the ladies have been relegated to the high-minded but innocuous education committee, the only one currently to be headed by a woman (Labor Party stalwart Ora Namir).

Ms. Namir moved into politics in the footsteps of her late husband, Mordechai Namir, who served at various times as secretary-general of the Histadrut Labor Federation, as minister of labor and as mayor of Tel Aviv. However, Ms. Namir doesn't think that it is the lack of such background that keeps other women out of politics. She attributes this in large measure "to the cumulative effects of periodic wars on Israeli society, as the result of which women tend to concentrate on consolidating the family unit as an island of security in a sea of insecurity.

"In addition," she adds wryly, "women politicians don't have wives to lean on at home."

This "shortcoming" is a particular handicap for the kind of women most likely to enter politics, namely those with professional training. Of necessity, they must give priority to both their families and their careers; politics are bound to come in a very poor third.

Most feminine Knesset members are in accord on "women's issues" like easy-to-obtain, publicly-financed abortions. However, this consensus does not emcompass the sole female representative of the National Religious Party, Mrs. Sara Stern-Katan. On the contrary, she strongly opposes giving "excessive freedom to the individual and thus sacrificing the hallowed values of Jewish tradition."

It might be expected that women would at least be well represented on city councils — bodies which deal with close-to-home issues like schools, playgrounds and sanitation. Yet the opposite is true; there is an even lower percentage of women in local government than in the Knesset, and no Israeli equivalents of San Francisco's Dianne Feinstein or Chicago's Jane Byrne.

Ms. Namir, while used to the situation, is by no means willing to accept passively the status quo. She is demanding that the Labor Party, which is likely to win the next elections, allocate 20% of its Knesset seats to women. Feminine politicians in the other parties would be pleased to get 10%.

J.B. sees significance in rebbe's UJA appeal

By J. B. SALSBERG

The Lubavitcher rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendle Schneerson, the spiritual head of the most dynamic, worldwide, chassidic movement, has recently issued a public appeal on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York. In that appeal, the Lubavitcher rebbe urged all Jews to respond "warmly and generously."

But, before I even write another line, I can hear questioning voices and I can see raised eyebrows and questioning looks. I can visualize those lips and looks saying: "So what's so special about this that deserves a whole column?" I can also imagine some suspicious types saying: "Look, J.B. became a Lubavitcher!" or mumur obliquely: "What's he up to now?"

So, in the hope of removing whatever barriers may stand in the way of appreciating the purpose of this column, I should like to state:

Yes, there is, in my view, special significance in the Lubavitcher rebbe's public support for the United Jewish Appeal.

Furthermore, although his endorsement was directed towards the united effort of New York Jewry, I interpret that appeal as applying, with equal force to the UJA drive that is currently under way in Toronto and to parallel campaigns that in Montreal, Winnipeg and all other Jewish communities.

For, while there may be insubstantial differences between one community and another with regards to the distribution of the funds raised, essentially though, all United Jewish Appeal funds everywhere are governed by the same principles.

Whether or not the Lubavitcher rebbe ever issued such a public endorsement of UJA before, I cannot say. At any rate, I can't recall one. I also lack the direct contact with all major contributors, or potential donors, to predict what effect the rebbe's appeal will have on the current campaigns.

But I am certain that the Lubavitcher rebbe's public identification with UJA is bound to be beneficial.

More important, it creates the atmosphere for an open discussion on the individual's responsibility to the needs of Jewry as a whole and the needs of one's preferred area in Jewish life.

The importance of such an open and thorough discussion cannot, in my view, be overstated. It's basic and timely.

The Lubavitcher rebbe's action serves, of course, an immediate purpose, but it also places the overriding issues of priorities and responsibilities quite clearly and directly.

In his letter to the rabbinic council of the New York UJA campaign, the rebbe said (and I translate from the Yiddish): "In view of the growing needs of our brothers, Jews, both here and overseas, especially in the area of Jewish education, I'm certain that everyone who will be approached for a contribution to the campaign will respond warmly and generously."

That is more than an appeal for funds . . . it is an appeal for identification with the needs of Jewry everywhere; it emphasizes the national, and not just the sectional, interests and concerns.

In my experience, there are altogether too many who respond to sectional needs but who remain totally unmoved by the larger, the overriding needs of Jewery here and abroad.

I should, at this stage, perhaps emphasize that I fully appreciate the special concerns that specific sectors of our community may feel toward institutions that have exceptional meaning for them. Such special concerns exist at all levels of our multi-faceted community.

They exist, and quite legitimately and understandably, among the several branches of Orthodoxy, chassidic movements, Conservative and Reform Judaism, as they do among those that are usually classified as belonging to the secular sectors.

But it becomes indefensible and even alarming when the special concerns exclude all else and everyone else (as it does, for instance, in the Satmar wing of chassidism).

Special concerns become a danger when they result in indifferance to the needs of Jewish education **at large** — at home and abroad; when they result in indifference to the social and welfare needs of our people (the sick, the aged, etc.), here and abroad; when they result in indifference to the special needs (financial and political) of Israel; when they result in an actual separation from Jewish life as a whole (min hatzibur), both here and around the world.

It is from this point of view that I consider the Lubavitcher rebbe's public endorsement of UJA as a very important event. Moreover, it may be a tool for the opening of new doors and the winning of new people for adequate participation in UJA and in other areas of Jewish life here and abroad.

Oh, yes: No, I haven't become a Lubavitcher chassid. Though uncle Ellezer does think that I'm somewhat soft on Lubavitch.

Labor law pioneer makes impact on Ottawa

Finkelman set up civil servants' bargaining rights

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

OTTAWA —

Forty-eight thousand federal government clerks went out on strike last autumn, demanding a wage increase, a cost-of-living escalator, a shorter work week or amnesty for members of the Public Service Alliance of Canada who struck in defiance of the law.

The workers and their nemesis, the Treasury Board, tried but failed to settle the trouble. The country seemed headed toward chaos.

Then, at the invitation of the Public Service Staff Relations Board, Jacob Finkelman stepped into the simmering dispute. Within 26 hours, the strike was over. Finkelman, mediator par excellence, had done it again.

"It was obvious that the disputants were anxious to settle," he explains. "They needed a third party to help them. In this field, you don't work miracles. If the parties are inclined to settle, you can solve the problem. This is what happened here."

The first chairman of both the Ontario Labor Relations Board and the federal Public Service Staff Relations Board, Finkelman was lured out of semi-retirement to end the clerks' strike.

"I had just finished dinner when Harold Brown, chairman of the Public Service Staff Relations Board, called," the 74-year-old labor law pioneer recalls. "Brown told me there was a request for a mediator, and the parties agreed it should be me. They knew me. I was acceptable. I think I had established my credibility. You can't be at this game for as many years as I was without being acceptable. Otherwise, you'd be out pretty soon."

It was not happenstance that Finkelman's services were requested. Everyone realized that he had been one of the chief architects of the Public Service Staff Relations Act, the 1967 legislation which gave federal civil servants collective bargaining rights and many of them the right to strike. And they remembered that he had administered the regulations arising out of that legislation from 1967 until 1976.

Ironically, Finkelman, a native of Poltava, Russia, was in the midst of writing a book on the act when the nationwide strike erupted.

Although Finkelman was proud of the Public Service Staff Relations Act, which he describes as "a very innovative piece of legislation, a bold experiment," he knew that it was not without its flaws.

"It wasn't perfect," he says, puffing on his pipe. "As you go along, you find the need to change clauses."

In 1974, in a study commissioned by the government, Finkelman recommended widespread amendments. Though he had been one of the first to recognize the right of civil servants to strike, if necessary, he pointed out in his report the limits of public tolerance of strikes.

"It is important to remind ourselves that the right to bargain and the right to strike which were granted in 1967 were not intended to creatre anarchy," he was quoted as saying in a newspaper story.

All in all, Finkelman made a couple of hundred recommendations on how to improve the act. His proposals, The Globe and Mail says, were largely ignored. He begs to differ. "My recommendations haven't been acted upon yet," notes Finkelman, who inaugurated the first university course on labor law in 1932. "But I imagine they will be within a year or two."

Does he think the strike by the clerks would have broken out had his proposals been implemented? "Heaven only knows," he replies. However, he is certain that the recommendations would have made it easier to administer the collective bargaining system he pioneered, and he believes that they might have reduced the tension between the clerks and the Treasury Board.

Despite the kinks in the legislation he formulated, Finkelman says Canadian civil servants are fortunate to be endowed with the power to strike. "In the United States, even now, federal public servants can't have their salaries decided by binding arbitration. That's defined by Congress."

A careful, cautious and reserved man, he claims his entire career is a function of what he calls "sheer accident."

Finkelman's parents, Rachamiel and Minny, immigrated to Canada in 1907. Rachamiel was a tailor. He and his two brothers, Harry and Joseph (who were to become pharmacists), went to elementary and high school in Hamilton. After studying political science and economics at the University of Toronto, he took up law at Osgoode Hall.

In 1932, he was back at the U of T doing graduate work on anti-trust legislation. The dean of the Law school, impressed by the calibre of his thesis, invited Finkelman to teach a course in labor law.

By joining the staff of the U of T, he earned a footnote in Canadian Jewish history. "As far as I know, I was the first Jew to be appointed to the position of lecturer at the University of Toronto," he remarks. "It wasn't very long after that other Jews were appointed."

Finkelman remained a professor until 1954, after which he was named a special lecturer at the U of T's graduate school of business administration. He held that post until 1967. Finkelman specialized in administrative law.

One of his students at the U of T was Bora Laskin, chief justice of Canada's supreme court. He encouraged Laskin to do post-graduate studies.

Over the years, Finkelman was heavily involved in mediating and arbitrating all manner of disputes.

In 1943, he was appointed legal advisor to a select committee set up to introduce collective bargaining in Ontario. A year later, on the strength of his experience and knowledge, he was named registrar of the Labor Court of Ontario.

During two periods, 1944 to 1947 and 1953 to 1967, he was chairman of the Ontario Labor Relations Board. In 1963, when the federal government began thinking of drafting legislation allowing civil servants to strike, Finkelman was the preparatory committee's consultant.

"And when the legislation passed, they asked me to come to Ottawa to administer it," he says. "So I guess I was the right person, in the right place, at the right time."

In 1937, the garment industry of Ontario recruited him as an impartial chairman of the labor arbitration boards serving the men's clothing, dress, cloak, suit and sportswear industries.

Again, chance was instrumental in the appointment, which lasted until 1967. The father of one of his students was personnel director of Tip Top, the manufacturers, and he recommended Finkelman as an ideal mediator.

Stoppages, rather than strikes, disrupted the needle trade in that 30-year era. A stoppage, he recalls, was usually triggered by a personal grievance or a controversy over the piecework rates.

Jacob Finkelman [Wayne Cuddington photo]

Finkelman says he cannot say whether owners were more or less enlightened than bosses in other industries. "But they did introduce their own system of arbitration before it became part of the law," he muses. "I recall, however, all sorts of cases where employers wouldn't recognize unions."

He was active on other labor fronts as well. In a 5-year period beginning in 1950, Finkelman was umpire under the collective agreement between General Motors of Canada and the United Automobile Workers of Oshawa.

So well did he perform that the National Film Board made an educational film about the development and resolution of a grievance. It is still used for instructional purposes.

Finkelman's success in mediation and arbitration was due to several factors. He was always perceived as being neutral. "My image was impartial all along," he says. "My greatest satisfaction was that I survived. An arbitrator is likely to become persona non-grata if he's thought to have a labor or management point of view. That I survived 30 years in the clothing industry as an umpire is one of the tributes people pay to you."

Occasionally, antagonists were outraged by his decisions. "You can't avoid that," he observes. "I'm sure people said I was biased. But survival is some proof that I was generally regarded as a neutral."

Such was his desire to be non-partisan that Finkelman never joined a political party ["my wife doesn't know how I vote"], or a union. "There was no union at university when I started to teach. And when I went into government service, I was in no position to join a union. The question, therefore, never came up."

Yet neutrality wouldn't have been enough to sustain Finkelman through his long career, if he had lacked other virtues.

A capacity to listen to evidence and argument, and the ability to display patience in the face of droning exchanges, were among the most important qualities, he says.

And it was crucial to have a practical bent of mind. "There's no use going half cocked on theory and philosophy," he comments. "You've got to create a situation in which the parties to a conflict can live together."

For years, Finkelman, a committed Jew, was chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith Joint Public Relations Committee and of Congress Central Region.

Although he personally did not encounter anti-semitism, he was active in the legal battle against discrimination in Canada.

Together with the late Saul Hayes, he persuaded the government to enact an edict barring discrimination in employment offices. This was in 1941.

In 1946, Finkelman convinced Ontario to declare illegal restrictive covenants in land deeds. In 1951, he and the attorney-general, with the blessing of Premier Leslie Frost, drafted legislation enshrining the ban.

"It has been amended since then and has had an impact," he says.

Finkelman met his wife, Dora Riskin, at a party celebrating the 1946 victory. They have three sons — Michael, Barry Gordon and Steven Robert.

Jews, he says, have come far since the 1940s.

He used to feel humiliated and resentful when he heard of, or dealt with, cases involving discrimination. Today, he looks back at those days with some disbelief. "For Jews, Canada is a much better country to live in."

As an example, he cites the federal civil service, where part of his reputation was established. Once, a Canadian Jew could not aspire to be a deputy or assistant deputy minister. Nowadays, the field is open to talented, ambitious men and women who wish to make a career in government.

As he reminisces, Finkelman returns to his favorite subject — the labor scene — which has consumed his interest for approximately 50 years.

He is pleased he can say that labor legislation in this country is "pretty advanced" and compares favorably with "other jurisdictions." Yet he is aware that unions and employers will forever be at each other's throats. "That's a struggle that'll go on as long as we carry on the democratic tradition."

As for the future, Finkelman declares that, barring extraordinary circumstances, he does not intend to accept new assignments. "I'm out of the business," he asserts, a note of finality in his voice.

Prof. says New Testament provoked hatred for Jews

Christian groups encounter the Holocaust

By BEVERLEY STERN

"We are conscious today that many, many centuries of blindness have closed our eyes so that we no longer see the beauty of Your chosen people, nor recognize in their faces the features of our brothers and sisters . . . Forgive us for the curse we falsely attached to their name as Jews. Forgive us for crucifying You a second time in their flesh. For we know not what we did . . ."

From a prayer written by Pope John XXIII.

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Today, it is not just Jews, but Christians who are saying "never again."

More than 35 years after the fact, many Christian leaders across North America and Europe are embarking on programs encountering the Holocaust, and vowing they will never again allow themselves to become either spectators or participants in such a human atrocity.

In uncovering that dark chapter of history in which six million Jews lost their lives because they were Jews, Christians are raising profound questions about the centuries-old "teaching of contempt" which is widely regarded as the seedbed of anti-semitism.

"The Holocaust did not happen somewhere outside of Christianity. It took place in West European culture, the heartland of Christianity. The event in its totality was undisputedly Christian."

Those were the words of Rev. Daniel Donovan, a professor at St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto, when he spoke recently before a gathering of Christian clergy and teachers at the Timothy Eaton Memorial Church.

Donovan addressed an all-day conference sponsored by the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto and the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress. The conference drew about 90 people.

Lectures, slides, films and workshops examined Holocaust-related topics, such as how to teach Holocaust, and in particular focused on anti-semitism in the Christian tradition as expressed in the teaching of contempt.

Donovan reminded his audience that the Holocaust was very much "a Canadian event." The Canadian government consistently refused admission of Jewish refugees, and in fact, had the worst record of any country in its attitude towards helping Jewish refugees, he said.

In his view, such a rejection of Jews in their hour of peril was an unequivocal statement of anti-semitism, as well as a self-serving act of political interest. Prime Minister Mackenzie King, he claimed, bowed to the pressure exerted by his French Canadian lieutenant, Ernest Lapointe, who told King that if he acted to help the Jews, Quebec would be lost to the Liberals.

Donovan stated frankly that the New Testament provoked hatred for the Jews by rendering Jews in such "negative," "distorted" and "stereotyped" images that the Jew through the ages became associated with the diabolic — the perfidious agent of Satan.

Referring to a book called The Teaching of Contempt — Christian Roots of Anti-Semitism, written by the French-Jewish scholar and historian Jules Isaac (Holt, Rhinehart and Winston, 1964), he identified three major themes in the teaching of contempt: the degenerate state of Judaism at the time of Jesus, the dispersion of the Jews as divine punishment for the crucifixion, and the crime of deicide.

Donovan indicated that in the battle for the minds and hearts of Jews and pagan gentiles when the new Judeo-Christian church was founded, there were no holds barred when it came to talking about the enemy.

"Christianity was perceived as the 'new' Israel, the fulfilment of prophecies. Therefore, Judaism as a continuing reality made no sense. The only way it could make sense was for a Jew to become a Christian," he said.

Initially, the new Christian religion was regarded as an isolated sect and denounced as heretical. After the church rejected the Torah, recruitment of the Jews came to a halt. Also, Christians felt insecure because there was a lot of backsliding amongst "Judaizers" who continued to observe the old ways.

Early theologians deliberately represented Judaism as a "dead, ossified reality," Donovan said, because "if Jewish life could be perceived as holy and venerable, then it was feared that Christianity would be seen as false."

The facts are that Judaism at the time of Jesus, while not without its problems, was rich, vital and complex. "Christianity is rooted in Judaism," and Jesus can only be understood within the context of the communal conflicts of the Sadduccees, Pharisees, Essenes, and the messianic fervor of the times, he said.

Quoting from another book called The Anguish of the Jews, by Edward Flannery, a Catholic priest (The Macmillan Company, New York, 1965), Donovan related that the first Christian church was Jewish in its leadership, membership and worship.

[Ben Lechtman photo]

Rev. Daniel Donovan

"Jesus emerges more and more as a Jewish figure," Donovan stressed. "The Sermon on the Mount, and even the prayer beginning with Our Father who art in Heaven, all have their sources in Pharisaic literature."

As for the date of dispersion of the Jews, said Donovan, although Christian theology commonly dates it as starting in 70 A.D., in fact, the Jews were in the Diaspora more than 500 years before the Christian era.

Alluding to Isaac's book, Donovan said the Diaspora expanded after the conquests of Alexander and during the period of Hellenization. With the Roman conquest and the subsequent founding of the Roman empire, the Diaspora spread over the entire Mediterranean.

Turning to the Christian accusation of Jews as "Christ-killers," the "deicide people," Donovan said the overwhelming position of biblical scholars today is that the Jews were not responsible for the death of Jesus.

There was some involvement of high priests who collaborated with the Romans, but it is clear, Donovan stated, that it was the Romans who killed Jesus, and that they did so because they saw him as a political revolutionary, a hero portrayed as the King of the Jews.

He suggested the Gospels played down the role of the Romans while playing up the Jewish role so as to win public opinion and conciliate Roman authorities.

By the fourth century, all the classic themes for the ensuing demonization of the Jew were well established, he said, and historical events just added their own gruesome embellishments.

Donovan elaborated: during the Black Plague, the Jews were accused of poisoning the wells; during the Crusades, they were regarded as infidels who could just as easily be killed at home as well as in the Holy Land; and in England, the "ritual murder" charge alleged that Jews must kill a Christian child because they needed the blood for their Passover services.

Nevertheless, while accepting Christian responsibility for laying down the psychological groundwork for anti-semitism, Donovan emphasized that Christian theology never advocated an open season on killing Jews. He said a common notion persisting up until present time is that the "Jew was to survive as a witness to the evil he has done."

He rejected absolutely the proposition that Christians had devised a systematic rationale for the destruction of Jewry, such as espoused by the Nazis. The original purpose of the teaching of contempt was to affirm Christianity at the price of Judaism, he said.

He urged "a theology of religion which allows us to be authentically Christian without denigrating the validity of other religions. Christians have to view Judaism as a living religion, and not something that has degenerated," he said.

On the matter of Israel, Donovan was brief, but pointed. While not eschewing the right to criticize specific politics, he wondered if Christians who make all-out attacks on Israel are not just using it as a "cover" for anti-semitism.

Expressing satisfaction with the response to the all-day conference, Rabbi Mark Shapiro, chairman of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress said: "If we are concerned about remembering the Holocaust, we have to recognize that most people are non-Jews."

Shapiro agreed with Donovan that both Jews and non-Jews have to learn more about their own history if misunderstandings are to be wiped out. He said the conference was part of an educational outreach program to the organized Christian community which began last spring.

Shapiro noted that the HRC has promoted the teaching of the Holocaust in public schools.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rise and be counted

Some months ago one of your distinguished directors, Donald Carr, wrote an article criticizing, in a general way, the Jewish community for its complacency and lack of involvement.

Regrettably, I do not think the attitude of the Jewish community has improved very much. The acceleration of worldwide anti-semitic incidents has assumed terrifying proportions. As a matter of fact, world famous anthropologists and sociologists recognize that the present level of anti-semitic fever exceeds even that of the pre-Holocaust hours.

It has become fashionable, once again, to hate Jews and to say so. The cloak of insinuations has been discarded as more and more people and nations exude sympathy for the PLO and blame the "intransigent" Jews for the oil shortage, blackmail, inflation and all other local or international difficulties.

Now, more than ever, Jews must not remain silent in the face of this new onslaught. It is necessary that we proclaim our stand with Israel to bolster the moral of the Israelis and to caution our non-Jewish friends about being intimidated about justice and honesty.

I have noted a serious abrogation of responsibility on the part of those who were at one time very much committed to donations to the United Jewish Appeal and to the purchase of State of Israel Bonds. Jews traditionally respond to emergencies and, in my opinion, this is certainly such a time.

It is incumbent for all Jews to rise and be counted and to show their support for the State of Israel in some significant and tangible fashion. In the result, we in the Diaspora will be by far the greater beneficiaries than our brethren in the State of Israel.

Bert Raphael
A canvasser for the United Jewish Appeal and Legal Division Chairman, State of Israel Bonds
Toronto

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Our mistake

In your article on myself in The CJN, Dec. 18 [Orthodox Jew receives apology from police for false arrest], it was stated that if the police had been ready to apologize to me . . . I would have been happy . . . and I would even have had a drink of non-kosher wine with them if they apologized.

That is not true. I would have sat down with the police while they had the wine, but if it was non-kosher I would certainly not have joined them in the drink. My religion does not permit me to drink non-kosher wine. It is completely against my faith. But I would have been very happy to receive the police and sit down to talk with them.

Philip Lazar
Toronto

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210,000 members

We of Ontario Branch, Women's League for Conservative Judaism, were very pleased to see the fine article published on our national convention in the Dec. 4 issue of The Canadian Jewish News. We must, however, point out an inaccuracy. Our organization consists of 210,000 women in 800 sisterhoods and not 21,000, as stated in your article.

Margo Grosbein
Toronto

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Coats by Green

In your issue of Nov. 27 you carried two photos of mink coats in your Just for You section — one was an opaline ranch mink and the other a pastel and white mink. The caption mentioned that the coats had been shown at the Montreal fur market but you failed to mention that they were made by Green Bros. Fur Mfg. Ltd. in Toronto.

I would appreciate it if you would point up this fact to your readers.

Jerry Green
Toronto

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The constitution

The recent presentation of the Canadian Jewish Congress to the Parliamentary committee on the Canadian constitution was distinguished by three characteristics:

(1) HYPOCRITICAL — The Canadian Jewish Congress publicly announced a non-partisan stance on the Quebec referendum because the Congress was a "non-political body." The same "non-political body" which could not support Canadian unity, now feels eminently justified to make recommendations on the basic constitutional principles of this same country.

(2) UNDEMOCRATIC — The "select" Congress committee never bothered to ask the community members for views on the proposed changes to the Canadian constitution. Nor did Congress feel it necessary to submit the final position paper to public debate before presenting it to the Parliamentary committee.

For example, how many members of our community would approve Congress accepting "regional affirmative action programs?" Despite the disclaimer that "generally the Congress is not in favor of quota systems," the only known way of implementing such programs is de jure or de facto quotas.

Upon what basis did these select leaders decide that the Jewish community — having finally, only partially overcome "gentleman's agreement" discrimination — is now ready to accept the additional hurdle of government-sponsored reverse discrimination?

(3) RACIST — The Congress committee recommended that freedom of choice in education be limited to children of parents who received their primary or secondary education in English or French. That is, the committee advocated that approximately 20 to 30% of Canadians and all new immigrants from non-English or non-French speaking countries, become permanently second class citizens in their own country. In particular, that would include approximately 95% of all first generation Jewish immigrants. Any constitutional provision which is restricted upon the basis on race, ethnicity, religion, or language is by definition, racist.

Prof. Mel Himes
Montreal

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Heavy heart

With anti-semitism on the rise throughout the world today; with swastikas and anti-Jewish slogans appearing with alarming frequency on the walls of the metros and colleges of Montreal, it was with a heavy heart that I read the page one article in your Dec. 11 issue about the plight of the gay Jews in Montreal and of their being discriminated against by the Hebrew Y.

Jews discriminating against other Jews because they are "different" can no more be justified than the "logic" used by those who feel they are justified in discriminating against the Jewish people because they are "different."

Hate is hate, and to hate is wrong. I cannot and will not believe that the Jewish community in Montreal is as narrowminded as the board governing the Y and that they would refuse fellow Jews who are "different" the right to have an Oneg Shabbat or other Jewish related function at an institution that is supported by all segments of the Jewish community and is supposed to serve (according to their advertisements when they have a fund raising campaign) all Jews within the greater Montreal area.

Stan Mallow
Montreal

Organizations and People

What's New

David Read, Toronto, receives his bar mitzvah certificate from Israeli government tourist director Asher Rahav [right]. In keeping with a growing Diaspora tradition, Mr. and Mrs. L. Read observed their son's bar mitzvah at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, thus helping to forge a link with the land of Israel. Parents or guardians interested in details on arranging such a ceremony should apply to their travel agent or the Israel government tourist office, 102 Bloor St. W., Suite 790, Toronto, Ont., M5S 1M8.

PLAY AUDITIONS

Broadway producer **A. Chas. Verosh** is looking for talented performers aged 19-25, for a new musical, "Esther Parade," to be presented, March 19-22, at Beth Tzedec. Auditions for singing, dancing and dramatic roles will be held Thursday, Jan. 15, at 7.30 p.m., at the synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Please call 787-0381 for further details.

SINGERS WANTED

Attention, 18-25 year olds! Beth Tzedec Synagogue, under the leadership of **Cantor Paul Kowarsky**, is creating a choral group for all interested young adults. Members of this group will meet on a regular basis to learn exciting melodies and enjoy one another's company in a relaxed and sociable setting.

Introductory meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 7.30 p.m., in room 30. Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. If you are unable to attend the opening meeting but are interested in becoming involved, please contact **Howard Black**, 787-0381.

FILM AVAILABLE

Program chairmen are invited to make use of an excellent 20-minute film on Jerusalem's "Hospital With a Heart." To arrange for the film and a speaker, call the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, 781-3584 and ask for **Norman White** or **Sheila Dropkin**.

MIZRACHI DINNER

At Toronto Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's membership dinner, Monday, Dec. 15, in Herschel's restaurant, tribute was paid to new members and to those who have been members for 20 or more years. A trophy, awarded to the chapter enrolling the most new members, was presented to **Agnes Deutsch**, president of Bat Zion chapter.

Members of the organization performed in a program, "I Remember When," a nostalgic review of the early years of the Toronto chapters.

Mizrachi, which is dedicated to the ideals of religious Zionism, has helped to build and maintain some 25 institutions in Israel.

Brenda Schild, Toronto membership chairman, was toastmaster.

CHILDREN OF SURVIVORS

An awareness group for children of Holocaust survivors, will meet Sunday evenings, Jan. 11 to Feb. 1, 7.30-10 p.m., at the BBYO house, 15 Hove St. The purpose is to explore the impact which the Holocaust has had upon their lives. The sessions, conducted by **Doris Strub Epstein**, are under the auspices of the Canadian Centre for Studies of the Holocaust and Genocide, and the Jewish Student Federation of York University. For additional information and registration, phone **Eva Saperia**, 789-4990.

OPERATION COFFEEMATE

Members of B'nai Unity Lodge visited police spot check locations and hospitals in five Metro traffic divisions and Thornhill on Christmas. They served the police hot coffee and donuts, helping to cheer them on a cold and lonely night.

"Operation Coffeemate," says Unity's vice-president **Alan Direnfeld**, "is designed to show our appreciation to Metropolitan Toronto and Markham police and other emergency personnel who are out saving lives during the Christmas season when they could be home with their families."

Unity Lodge president Larry Maker, thanked the following companies for their services and contributions: R. B. Hayhoe Foods Ltd., Media Com-Claude Neon, Toronto Tailors Supplies Ltd., Three Minute Coffee, Atlantis Airfreight Services Ltd., Tim Horton Donuts Ltd., Tim Horton Donuts (2075 Sheppard Ave. E.), Open Window Bakery, Mister Donut (6365 Yonge St.), General Bakeries, Country Style Donuts (524 Wilson Heights), Country Style Donuts (1975 Kennedy Raod), Imperial Oil Ltd., Gulf Canada Ltd., Royal York Hotel, K-Mart (Bayview Shopping Plaza), Woolco (3580 Sheppard Ave. E.), Woolco (2295 Sheppard Ave. W.).

JEWISH STUDENT FEDERATION

A course in Hebrew caligraphy, sponsored by the Jewish Student Federation, York University, is planned for Tuesday nights from Jan. 13 to March 17, 7.30-9, to be held in the conference room at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave. Fee is $32 for 10 sessions and includes cost of materials. Please phone **Ron**, 661-2706, or 636-1836, for further information.

And for students, **Bryna Hyman**, Jewish family life educator, will lead a discussion on handling school pressures, Jewish identity, sex, living in residence, living at home, values, dealing with parents — running the gamut of questions affecting young people. The gathering takes place Wednesday, Jan. 14, 7.30 p.m., in the McLaughlin senior common room, York University, and there is no charge. Additional information is available at 667-3647.

VOLUNTEERS OPEN HOUSE

The North York Volunteer Centre invites you to an Open House, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 12 noon to 4.30 p.m., at Armour Heights public school, 148 Wilson Ave., 2nd floor. Seminars, resource speakers and films, will clarify different features of the volunteer's role in the community. Bring your questions to informal discussions.

This Open House offers an opportunity to gain insight into the function and potential of today's volunteer. Please call 481-6194 to obtain more facts.

KITCHENER SYNAGOGUE

Student rabbi **Ed Goldfarb** will be in Kitchener four weekends during the winter and spring to conduct services at Temple Shalom. The two spring visits will coincide with Purim and Pesach.

CAMP RAMAH

In the midst of winter it's encouraging to look ahead to summer. **Rabbi Neil Cooper**, new director of Camp Ramah in Canada, will be speaking about the camp during the coming week. Located north of Toronto in the Muskoka region, Ramah is a Hebrew speaking camp under the supervision of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Rabbi Cooper will provide information on the camp's educational and sports program, Thursday, Jan. 15, 8 p.m., at Adath Israel. Feature will be the 1980 Ramah slide show. Rabbi Cooper will also deliver the sermon to Beth Tzedec congregation during Shabbat services, Jan. 17.

Registration for Camp Ramah is already under way. For further information contact the office, 789-2193.

HEARING IMPAIRED MEETING

Toronto Jewish Society for the Hearing Impaired is holding its first general meeting of 1981 on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1 p.m., in Council House, 4700 Bathurst St.

Meet **Vicki Tonalette**, Bell Canada, who will discuss "Visual Ears" and "TTY" machines, and **Joel Rotstein**, who will speak on Jewish awareness.

See mime, karate, and folk dance demonstrations, and enjoy refreshments.

For information call Visual Ear or Standard 633-5100, National Council of Jewish Women.

BAYCREST HAPPENINGS

Start the New Year with **Lotta Dempsey**. The Toronto Star colmnist will be guest speaker at the mother and daughter luncheon-of-the-month in the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 12 noon. For reservations call 789-5131, ext. 410.

Preserving folk stories is the ambition of a folk-tales group in the Jewish Home for the Aged. The group meets regularly to listen to professional storyteller **Marianne Klamer**, and residents, in return, recall folk tales of their time.

At the annual Staff Recognition Luncheon held recently, Baycrest Centre honored 119 employees who have worked a total of 1,080 years!

CALGARY'S AKIVA ACADEMY

Congregation House of Jacob's Akiva Academy in Calgary, which began as a kindergarten program in September, 1980, is planning expansion into early elementary grades for September, 1981. An integrated kindergarten and proposed pre-kindergarten curriculum will be offered. The elementary school program is to be 50% Hebrew language and Jewish studies and 50% secular studies. Classes are held in Bel-Aire elementary school where full gym, audiovisual and library facilities are available.

NEWS FOR SENIORS

The Metropolitan Housing Company has apartment units for senior citizens in most areas of the city. Phone 367-8550 for application forms and brochures.

New male members are invited to come out for choir rehearsals, Friday mornings, in the auditorium, Centre for Creative Living, 15 Hove St.

The Centre for Creative Living presents Doris' Musical Show in three performances, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2 p.m., at the Extendicare Home, 1925 Steeles Ave. E.; Sunday, Jan. 11, 2 p.m., at West Park Hospital, 82 Buttonwood Ave., Weston; Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2 p.m., at Cranbrooke Lodge, 585 Cranbrooke Ave. For more information please call **Doris Fleischman**, 248-4764, or **Anne Sussman**, 222-7422.

Beth Sholom Seniors' activites have been suspended for January and February and will resume in March.

North York controller **Esther Shiner** will address Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50, at the Jan. 13 meeting, 1.15 p.m. at the synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. The perky lady politician should add spice to the afternoon.

FOR RUSSIAN JEWISH IMMIGRANTS

A program for Russian Jews eager to discover their heritage is planned for alternate Wednesdays, beginning Jan. 15, in Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St. Rituals, customs and ceremonies — the life cycle of the Jew, will be explained in a casual, comfortable atmosphere, and a social hour will follow. **Rabbi Joseph Kelman** leads the opening discussion and all members of the local Russian Jewish community are welcome.

JUVENILE DIABETES MEETING

Annual meeting of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (Toronto chapter) will be at 7.30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 14, in the Four Seasons Hotel, Yorkville. Guest speaker **Dr. John Dupre** will provide an update on current research in Ontario. All members and interested public are invited to attend. Phone 224-2633 for further information.

PARENTS' ACADEMY TV PROGRAM

A series of 12 half-hour programs sponsored by the Parents' Academy will appear three times a week on the TV Ontario network, commencing Jan. 14. This informal television-based academy, specifically designed for parents and professionals working with children, affords an opportunity to increase knowledge and awareness of child development. Further information is available by calling 484-2601, or toll-free, 1-800-268-8840.

CHILDREN'S ACTING PROGRAM

Actors's Theatre, formerly Cree A't Shema Studio, features an Open House for young people, Saturday, Jan. 10, 1-4 p.m., to introduce its new young people's acting program. Folksinger and recording artist **Fred Penner** will entertain. Admission is free.

Classes for the young people's program commence Jan. 17, and will run for 10 consecutive Saturdays. Further information is available at 368-1487.

PHOTO EXHIBIT RECEPTION

A reception to open the photo exhibit, "Return to Prague; A Personal Sojourn" by **Bedrich Grunzweig**, is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 11 at 4.30 p.m. in the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St. Sponsored by Friends of Pioneering Israel, the exhibit is a photographic journey into the past by the New York photographer who recalls the physical aspects of his birthplace. For further information phone 635-9977.

PREMIERE FOR APPLEBAUM

The premiere of Toronto composer **Louis Applebaum's** "The Last Words of David," a new composition for cantor, choir, organ and harp, will be presented at Temple Sinai on Friday evening, Jan. 9, as part of its Musical Legacy series. Participants will include **Cantor Weingort**, the Temple Sinai choir, and guest instrumentalists, conducted by **Ben Steinberg**. The service begins at 8.15 p.m.

JCC WORKSHOP

Paul Hollander will conduct a "Study Skills Workshop," Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1-3 p.m., at the Centre for Human Affairs, Koffler Centre of the Arts, 4588 Bathurst St. Included will be: How to read so you will remember; The academic essay; What to do before, during and after an exam; What you have forgotten or never knew. Fee for members is $8 and for non-members, $10. Call **Georgine**, 636-1880, ext. 15 or 33, for more information.

SINGLES EVENTS

Yachad Singles will hold an Oneg Shabbat on Friday, Jan. 9, 8.15 p.m., in B'nai Israel Beth David Am synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd. Speaker **Elliott Larman** of Jewish Family & Child Service will interpret "The Place of the Jewish Single in the Community."

Jewish Community Centre Singles, Bloor Branch, ages 25-35, will meet Sunday, Jan. 11, 9.15 a.m. sharp, at the snack bar in Earl Bales Park Community Centre, Sheppard Ave. and Bathurst St., for cross-country skiing. Be on time to avoid disappointment because slopes will be busy. Bring your own equipment or rent for $5 per half day. Because there are no marked trails, skiing is at your own risk. Members and non-members are all welcome. For more information phone **Debbie**, 494-9328.

University Graduate Club (25-45) is planning a Coffee, Cheese and Conversation evening, Sunday, Jan. 11, starting at 8 p.m. in B2 party room, 140 Erskine Ave. Admission is $2. Further information can be obtained by calling 633-3903.

Makom, Temple Sinai's young adult group, ages 20-30, presents **Beatty Zeldin**, speaking on "How to Cope with Being Single," at its seminar on singles, Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 8 p.m.

IN THE NORTH-EAST

In response to popular demand, registrations are now being accepted for a number of new classes at the North-East Jewish Community Centre.

"Jump for Joy," Wednesday, 10.30-11.30 a.m., at the JCC Valley, offers movement, exercises, and a lot of fun for pre-schoolers 2½-3½ years (with a parent). A similar Jump for Joy program, Wednesdays, 1.30-2.30 p.m., is geared to the 3½-to-5-year-olds without parent particiapation. Registration for these two programs commence the week of Jan. 5, and the fee is $32 for identifee affiliate or JCC member; $35, others.

A second evening fitness class, Thursdays, 7.30-8.30 p.m., at the JCC Valley, has been added. Fee is $12 for identifee affiliate or JCC member; $14, others.

Family Fitness, an exciting new program for youngsters 5-9, and their-parents, will incorporate both indoor and outdoor activities. It will be on Sundays, Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 8, 22, March 8, 1-2 p.m., at the JCC Valley. Fee is $12 for identifee affiliate or JCC members; $14, others.

There are also openings in all daytime adult fitness and exercise classes.

And, for something different, charter trips are available to the ski areas, commencing Sunday, Jan. 18.

For information on all these activities, call 493-8866.

ALBERTA'S CAMP B'NAI B'RITH

Early registration is suggested for Camp B'nai B'rith at Pine Lake, Alberta. Application forms for boys and girls, 8 to 16 years, are available from the office, 7200-156 St. Edmonton, Alberta, T5R 1X3, or phone (403) 487-0899, for details.

BOARD OF JEWISH EDUCATION

The Toronto Board of Jewish Education has recently formed an Executive Directors Council wherein administrators of its major day schools meet on such issues as relationships with government agencies, tuition collection policies and budgetary processes, plus a plethora of other issues which arise from the complex day school structure. Council chairman is **Joseph Goldwasser**, veteran executive director of Eitz Chaim Schools.

Joseph Goldwasser

Announce scholarships to Israel

aliya talk

By URI BRODES

Canadian Jewish students can receive full scholarships enabling them to study for academic degrees in most of Israel's universities, yeshivas, teachers' colleges, and art, music, and technical institutes.

The plan, which has been renewed this year, has assumed increased importance because of the steep rise in the cost of higher education in Canada and the United States and the trend towards assimilation and intermarriage of Jewish students on Canadian and U.S. campuses.

Thousands of Canadian students have gone to Israel for junior year programs, but only a few hundred are studying for a degree and receiving full scholarships for the full three or four years. Most students and their parents just haven't heard about the program.

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Tel-Aviv University, Bar-Ilan University, Weizmann Institute of Science, Haifa University, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, the Rubin Academy of Music, Betzalel Art Academy are among the many fully-accredited universities and colleges where qualified Canadian Jewish students can benefit from the scholarship plan.

Free tuition, free dormitory housing or apartment rental subsidies; stipends for food, transportation, books and entertainment; and loan assistance for the plane flight to Israel are the key elements of aid offered.

The Israel Student Authority, a joint body of the Jewish Agency and the ministry of immigrant absorption, operates the scholarship program with funds contributed by world Jewry through the United Jewish Appeal.

The program is offered to Jewish students with the expectation that many of them — after three or four years of study in Israel — will choose to remain and settle permanently in the Jewish homeland.

Israel and world Jewry are prepared to subsidize free college education for Jewish students because it's important that our youth have the chance to spend several years studying in Israel and even more important — that they adapt to Israeli life and decide to make aliyah.

The scholarship is available for Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctoral studies.

Since Israel university studies are conducted in Hebrew, most prospective undergraduate students from Canada and the U.S. enroll in a one-year, fully subsidized pre-academic course in Hebrew to bring their language ability up to the required level. This too, is fully subsidized.

• For information write: Israel Aliyah Centre, 788 Marlee Ave., Toronto, M6B 3K1; 781-4660/781-4353.

The Israel Aliyah Centre is a department of the Canadian Zionist Federation.

Program cut back

TORONTO —

Financial difficulties have resulted in the halving of MTV's Shalom broadcasts.

Joseph Klinger, the show's director, said that effective immediately, Shalom will be aired every other week.

"Our program will appear every second week on Monday at 1 p.m. on MTV (channel 47, cable 4), and repeated on Sunday at 9.30 a.m. on CITY TV (channel 79)," he said.

Klinger attributed the scheduling cut to the show's lack of sponsors.

"MTV carries us," he told The Canadian Jewish News. "They provide the facilities, the air time and so forth. All the helpers and guests are volunteers. I am not paid specifically to be on the show, but am there as part of my duties for Keren Hatarbut."

Klinger said unless funds are raised, the show could be discontinued entirely. "Shalom is one of about six ethnic shows on MTV that are in trouble. There are about 25 ethnic shows altogether."

Funds promised for the show by the Canadian Zionist Federation, Keren Hatarbut's parent organization, have not yet been submitted, according to Klinger.

He added that Keren Hatarbut "will gratefully accept" contributions from groups and individuals who would like to sponsor Shalom. The office's phone number is (416) 787-0197.

SHAARE ZEDEK LOTTERY

George Frankfurt smiles happily as he accepts a check for $25,000, grand prize in the recent Shaare Zedek Hospital foundation lottery from national president Sam H. Blank. Standing by are York Borough's Mayor Gayle Christie, and Norman White, the foundation's national executive director. Frankfurt represented a group of Dominion Auto Supply employees who shared the ticket.

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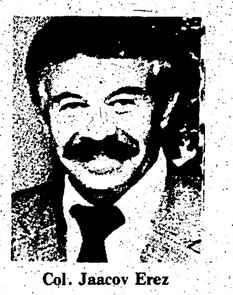
About People

Newly-elected president, Toronto chapter, Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, is Harvey M. Haber. The founding president of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, he is also active in many other fields of community endeavor. He is Toronto chairman for the Institute of Holocaust Studies of Bar-Ilan, Mr. Haber is senior leasing counsel for Cadillac Fairview Corporation Ltd. and is considered one of the foremost legal authorities in the shopping centre lease field.

Harvey Haber



Col. Jaacov Erez

Col. Jaacov Erez has been appointed national executive vice-president of the Canadian Technion Society. In his former capacity as national executive director, Col. Erez expanded the efforts of CTS across Canada, producing increased benefit for Technion in Israel. He has inspired numerous new and young leaders to work for the cause of this unique institution

$10,000 MUNK AWARD

The **Nicholas M. and Hedy J. Munk** geriatric award of $10,000 has been won by **Dr. Irene Turple** of Dundas, Ont. The bi-annual award for a physician under the age of 40 who has evinced special merit in geriatrics or whose achievements to date prognosticate success in that area, is co-ordinated by Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.

ALPHA OMEGA PRESIDENT

Named president for 1981 at the Alpha Omega dental fraternity convention held in the Harbour Castle Hilton, Toronto, was **Dr. Shelley Sobel** of New Rochelle, N.Y.

A former associate professor at New York University dental school and director of the special care clinic, Dr. Sobel will visit fraternity chapters in various parts of the world during his one-year tenure.

NETWORK ELECTIONS

Moshe Ronen, a York University political science student, was acclaimed chairperson of Network Canada, at the Network-Canada Conference 80, held at the Airport Holiday Inn in Toronto from Dec. 28 to Jan. 1.

The Western Region representative is **Debbie Yedlin** drom Edmonton; Central region representative is **Martin Krossel** from Toronto; and Eastern Region representative is **Rova Sherman** from Halifax.

Besides the elections, a number of resolutions were adopted at the conference, and there were speakers on topics as various as Ethiopian Jewry, the handicapped and Zionism. For more news about the convention see pages 1 and 10.

[Ben Lechtman photo]

David Collis, who came to Canada from Russia at the turn of the century, celebrated his 100th birthday last month. A family party was held at the Inn on the Park. Behind him to the right is a photo of Collis at age 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Rothschild, Toronto [right], were among Century Benefactors and Guardians of Yeshiva University honored at the 56th annual Chanukah dinner in the Waldorf Astoria, New York City. They are seen with Ludwig Jesselson, treasurer of the University's board of trustees and Century campaign chairman. Mr. Rothschild, president of State Electric in Toronto, is active in a number of community organizations.

Partners Gurston Rosenfeld [left] and Robert Cooper.

Public can buy shares in new film company

By HEATHER SOLOMON

MONTREAL —

"Sounds pretty off-the-wall to me — a telephone killing people? pipes the heroine.

"If the red dye in a maraschino cherry can kill you, why not a telephone?" comes the retort.

Not exactly the kind of dialogue you hear from an Eistein — but it sets the mood for a new $6 million film, "Bells," being made by a new company, Robert Cooper Productions. If it follows in the fiscal footsteps of Cooper's independently made "Running" and "Middle Age Crazy," it should earn a good profit in pre-sales even before it hits the world's movie house screens.

Up until now, much of the Canadian film industry has been the prerogative of small groups of investors. Robert Cooper Productions is a company which sells shares to the public. Its first production, Bells, is a suspense thriller about indiscriminate electronic murder by phone, starring Richard Chamberlain.

Economist Gurston Rosenfeld, chairman of the company, explains that "no investment house has ever seen fit to say that a film company is worthwhile taking to the public on a firm purchase basis." But his own investment company, Guardian Growth Financial Services, has decided that "the film production business in Canada has reached a state of maturity which makes a public offering feasible. We wouldn't have done this four or five years ago."

Cooper, with his commercial success as a producer, seemed the natural choice for president and chief executive officer of the film company. His two hit movies arose indirectly from the former prosecutor's 6-year media background as television host on CBC's "Ombudsman."

The alumnus of Talmud Torah, Northmount High School, the Laurentians' Camp Hiawatha and McGill, has never looked back. The 35-year-old producer now adds to his credits "the first company in Canada to go public that's exclusively devoted to making feature films."

In Cooper's search for viable ideas for screenplays, Bob "Airplane" Hays has been contracted to star in the comedy "Utilities," lampooning massive corporations. Future projects include the film adaptation of "The Chinese," the book involving a westerner's integration into modern-day China and "Live, Love, Laugh," a semi-autobiographical comedy backed in an unprecedented move of confidence in Canadian work by Twentieth Century Fox.

In recent years, the film market has tripled with the advent of purchasers in the form of Pay-TV (offering $1.50-million per film), syndicated television showings, video cassettes and growing foreign distribution — all of which signal fertile conditions for the new film company.

Both Cooper and Torontonian Rosenfeld come from a long line of believers in the glittering motion picture world. Cooper's father is Roy Cooper, Montreal theatrical agent, whose career spans the past 40 years. Rosenfeld's father, Lewis, was president of Columbia Pictures, the Canadian subsidiary of the U.S. major studio that was headed by Harry Cohn. The younger Rosenfeld screened films for Famous Players, viewing a film a day over a period of five years.

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Israeli artist's pieces hang on wall or sit on shelf

Jewelry is more than just for wearing

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —
You always thought jewelry was just something you wore around your neck or ears or wrist or fingers, right? Wrong.

If you buy a Rachel Gera piece, chances are you can also mount it on an acrylic cube, or — if it's large enough and some of Gera's works are — hang it on a wall or sit it on a shelf.

That's exactly what Gera did when she visited Toronto recently and exhibited her jewelry at the Bridle Path home of Dorothy Shoichet, national president of Canadian ORT.

Gera is an Israeli artist who has sold to film stars such as Elizabeth Taylor and Peter Ustinov, and exhibited in some of the top galleries and museums in the U.S., Europe and South America. She is equally known for her print-making, sculpture and wall-hangings.

She came to Toronto recently as part of a North American tour to exhibit her jewelry designs. The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation sponsored a cocktail reception at Shoichet's home to introduce her to the Toronto public, galleries and media.

Gera, a flamboyant extrovert with an expressive face and hands, talks to herself in the third person. "I never exhibited in a house before, so I asked myself: 'Rachel, what will you do?' "

Gera answered her own questions by draping her silver jewelry over champagne glasses, crystal decanters and even on many of Shoichet's sculptures. Unlike more conventional jewelry, her designs are bolder, the size of her pieces larger.

Rings, many in rose petal motifs with gem stones, are up to the knuckle. The pendants and neckpieces, some in swirling spiral designs, are important all by themselves. All of the jewelry is in silver, definitely sculptural and frequently textured.

[Leo Hausman photo]

Examining works of artist Rachel Gera [second from right] are [from left: Dorothy Schoichet, Samuel Bressler and Harriet Morton.

For Gera, "a few stunning pieces of jewelry" are enough to make a strong fashion statement. When she travels, she never take more than two or three changes of clothing, but achieves striking variety with her jewelry put together with long scarves, vests and blouses.

She maintains that her jewelry, which sells from about $160 to about $700, can give anyone with any imagination a flexible and dramatic wardrobe at half the price — if not less — than most women are ready to expend on clothing.

"Most women try to achieve a new look by buying a whole new wardrobe. I can give it to them just with a striking-looking choker or pendant worn on a very plain sweater, jersey or blouse," she says.

Jewelry as an art form is a phenomenon of just the last few years, according to Gera who studied at the Bezalel Academy of Art in Jerusalem, and was a pupil of painter Marcel Janko and sculptor Dov Feigin.

"When Salvador Dali and Picasso started to make jewelry, that is when it became acceptable as art. Jewelry is a kinetic art form, you move with it, you walk with it," says Gera.

Since each piece is an original, construction can take anywhere from a couple of hours to two weeks. Just as in any other creation of art, Gera looks for the right balance of materials, lines and composition.

She chose silver over gold as a medium because "gold is color," and silver was more neutral. Besides, it lends itself much better to sculpture and textural effects, she says.

Gera got into jewelry purely by accident. "My first ambition was to go on stage. I dreamed of being Sara Bernhardt. But I was such a bad actress, always forgetting my lines, so I decided, O.K., so I will become a great painter. But I decided I didn't bring anything new to the world, so I wasn't satisfied.

"Out of this confusion, I decided to be Rachel Gera. I would do what Rachel could do best. I found myself happiest designing jewelry that no one else had ever done before, and at last I was satisfied."

Working out of a studio-workshop in the exclusive centre of Old Yaffo, Gera built a reputation for being one of Israel's most dynamic jewelry designers. Her avant-garde work began to attract such personalities as Marcel Marceau, Leonard Bernstein, Danny Kaye, Mahalia Jackson, Nina Simone and even U.S. president Jimmy Carter's son and daughter-in-law.

One day, the director-producer of a French film called "Khamseen" starring Maria Schell walked into Gera's studio looking for someone who could design jewelry for a film with erotic and surreal themes.

Gera let her imagination go wild. In one of the scenes which called for a sexual fantasy to take place on a beach, she adorned the nude body of one of the female leads in swirling, sensuous serpentine coils. "She looked like Venus arising from the surf," Gera recalls.

Gera's work in film soon after led to a Broadway production called "Gigolo," and one-woman exhibitions in well-known galleries such as the Goldsmith Royal Hall in London, England, the Magnes Museum in California, the Spertus Museum in Chicago, the Jaro Gallery in New York and the Zenith Gallery in Washington.

Today, she looks back on the admonishments from her parents — "Are you crazy? You want to be an artist? Who makes a living from this?" — with both humor and satisfaction.

"I showed them," she says. "They were so scared about me. Poor Polish Jews who came to Israel in the late 30s, they were always worried about making a living. During all my growing-up years, I had one pair of shoes for Shabbat, and one for every day.

"But from the time I was five I knew I loved to draw and paint. For me, art was life. It was always what made me feel alive. I try to communicate my joy and strength in my art."

Always restless and striving, Gera feels her future in the art world is secure. Now an internationally acclaimed designer, she is also arousing critical and public acclaim for her prints and unusually bold and textured wall-hangings.

Next time you're in Israel, drop into 9 Mazal Dagim in Old City Jaffo. Gera is a great hostess.

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Jimmy Kay

I thoroughly enjoyed **Charlie Diamond's** lively column last week. We intend to continue the trend of guest columns in the weeks ahead. However, as this is the beginning of a new year, I decided to let you know what's been happening over the holidays and try to bring you up to date on some future events.

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With so many of our canvassers and campaigners out of town during the past few weeks, activities have been fairly low-key, but they are beginning to take an upward swing as everyone returns to the city and the tasks at hand.

This week we're going to take a look at the ever-reliable and dependable Societies division. Under **Harry Binder's** able tutelage, several of the organizations are nearing completion in card coverage.

The Jews of Hungarian Descent have held several telethons and are in the process of cleaning up outstanding cards. Harry tells me that this a truly dedicated group of people. **Eugene Jacobs** made a flying visit to see his son who had been in an accident, and flew back to Toronto that same weekend so that he could take part in a Sunday morning telethon. Under venerable chairman **Armin Weiss**, the telethons have attracted large turnouts of such UJA enthusiasts as **Miklos Winkler, T. Kovacs, Dr. Imre Farkas, Josef Klein, Frank Guttman, Charles Sos, Mike Garay, Tibor Stern, Alex Sykacs, Manuel Gutstein.**

Isaac Zucker and **Samuel Bresler** of B'nai Radom are reporting a lively campaign this year.

The Keltzer Sick Benefit Society started their campaign earlier this year and results are good, I'm told. Co-chairmen are **Philip Platt** and **Dave Wiener.**

Max Caplan, together with **Reva Simon** and their committee have almost completed the campaign for Branch 124 of the Labor Zionist Alliance, as has **Al Schelberg** of Branch 513. Also nearing completion is the LZA Furriers Branch campaign, under **Harvey Feldman.**

Despite the loss of her father in Israel, **Judy Lebowitz** began canvassing the membership of the Maramosher Society on her return from Israel. Our condolences to her and her family.

Along with fellow member **Morris Geblen, Harry Binder** is concentrating on a first-rate campaign in his own organization, the New Jewish Fraternal Association.

Also hard at work on UJA canvassing are **Jeshua Friedland** of the Pultusker Society and **Aaron Gruwer** and **Max Pesses** of the Warshawer Lodzer Society.

Zion Benevolent new president **Joseph Rosenberg** is working with **Leon Rochman** to complete campaign.

The Workmen's Circle was the scene of opening UJA campaign meeting for the Wierbniker Friendly Society with **Abe Zuckerman** and **William Kirshenblatt** in charge.

A UJA brunch is scheduled for mid-January for the Ozrower Mutual Benefit Society by UJA chairman **Stan Rosen.**

Philip Skovronek, president of the Chenstochover Aid Society, with the assistance of **Sam Yakubowicz** and **Molshe Frank**, is planning a UJA breakfast meeting at 14 Viewmount on Sunday, January 18 at 10.00 a.m.

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Hold on, we hear tell that plans are in the offing for the annual tea and fashion show for UJA run by Grade 9 students of the Associated Hebrew Schools on Sunday, February 22 at 2.00 p.m. Organizers this year are **Debbie Cohen, Hyla Schwebel** and **Shawna Weinberg.** That should dispel the January blahs!

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A telethon aimed at reaching first-time contributors, is slated for mid-January by the Accountants group. Chariman **Barry Tissenbaum** and vice-chairman **Shler Bossin** have already had several breakfast meetings and the executive has met twice to assist canvassers.

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After a bit of a late start, the Brokers division is rolling along with a good campaign. **Paul Ezrin**, co-chairman of Mortgage Brokers and **Lawrence Bloomberg**, who co-chairs Stock Brokers, report very positive results in their efforts to identify new people in this diverse business group.

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Using a powerful microscope, the surgeons sutured blood vessels and nerves that are almost invisible to the human eye. The procedure is far more difficult in bomb blast injuries than when severing is a result of cutting, as in industrial accidents, according to the doctors.

Shaare Zedek's plastic surgeons were among the first in Israel to perform vascular microsurgery and have successfully performed microsurgical implantations on many patients.

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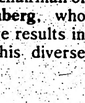

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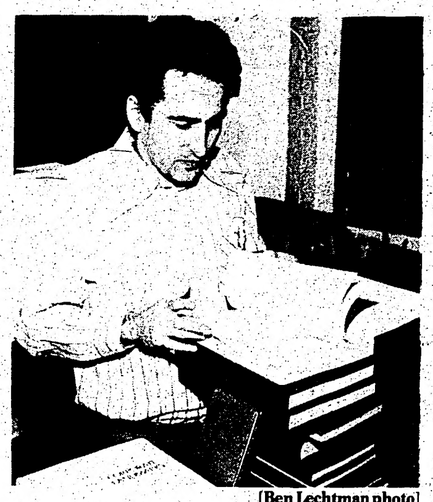

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Custom bookbinder Peter Stransky

TORONTO — A young couple here is working into the mantle inherited from one of the finest bookbinders in Czechoslovakia and Israel.

Peter Stransky, 35, and his wife Ruth, have been operating their business downtown since coming from Israel in 1976. His father, the late Walter Steranski, was a master bookbinder in Bratislava; his abilities were instantly recognized in Israel when he made aliya in 1964. Peter learned the craft from him, and eventually opened his own shop, at the other end of Jerusalem.

"I was a one-man operation," he told The Canadian Jewish News. "Slowly, slowly, I would get a clientele. It would fall away every year when I had to close shop for a month or more to fulfil my military duties. On my return, I'd have to start from scratch. It was very frustrating."

"Things have not been so rosy here either," added Mrs. Stransky. "At the beginning, Peter would spend days on end waiting for a customer to walk through the door. In the first two years, we didn't see a cent. A friend told us it took three to five years before we could get established, and he seems to have been correct."

Right now, their combination plant - office - warehouse, an undivided suite in a converted warehouse on Richmond St. East, is neatly occupied with machines, stacks of cardboard and samples of cloth and leather binding. On the small reception desk lies, besides a bowl of M & Ms, a 3-foot tower of newly-bound essays, an ancient family Bible and a volume on horsemanship that looks like it came to North America with Cortes' stallions.

Mrs. Stransky lifts up the massive Bible. It is in tatters, pages, binding and all. She gently lowers it back and then pulls down a copy of the essay. Its mint-new binding is immaculate; the gold lettering stamped on its cover promises to glimmer for a long time to come. "This is how that Bible will look by the time Peter is through with it," she said.

In doing a complete restoration, Stransky explains, he keeps the original front, back and spine of the book, repairing them if necessary. He sews the pages together by hand. Selecting a color or pattern to match, he fits the original cover sections into the new fabric and then wraps the old-new cover section around the pages. Depending on the work involved, a restoration can be done in several hours or over a number of days.

All the work is done on site, by hand . . . and with the help of a custom-made cardboard cutter and a crew press. Mrs. Stransky, an apt pupil of her husband for several years now, is a significant help.

Such craftsmanship cannot come cheap, as some have been surprised to learn.

"One man, for example," said Stransky, "brought in a volume of the Talmud that he had bought six months earlier," and the binding was completely shot. It cost him $16 altogether brand new; to have it rebound it would cost him $40. I pointed out that at the rate of buying a new copy every six months, he would use up his $40 in less than a year-and-a-half. Even with his usage, he could expect my binding to last at least five years. He agreed."

Mrs. Stransky added: "Mass produced bindings can be terrible. We went to buy a Tanach here for our little daughter. It cost $100. It had large print and beautiful illustrations. But the binding was so shoddy that it would fall apart in a few months. So now, I've got my father in Israel keeping an eye out for a similar Tanach — one hopefully much less costly than here, and, if necessary, we'll rebind it ourselves."

Stransky pointed out that a normally used book bound in buckram cloth, which is washable, should last at least 15 to 20 years. In leather, longevity is increased by four times or more.

Among those who have availed themselves of the Stransky's craftsmanship are: the Beth Tzedec Congregation, whose set of Encyclopedia Judaica was recently rebound; the Lubavitch Youth Organization, whose one-volume history presented to Prime Minister Trudeau last year was bound by Stransky in the richest of green leather; the building firm of Olympia and York, which commissioned a special leather-bound annual report on the fifth year of its incorporation; and Associated Hebrew Schools' education director, Rabbi Akiva Egozi, who ordered a dozen copies of his new study on day school curricula to be bound in buckram for presentation to education authorities in Israel.

"We have many individuals bringing in siddurs, haggadahs, and tamachs for rebinding or restoration, to pass on to their children and pass onto their children and grandchildren," said Mrs. Stransky.

The Stranskys also bind theses for York University, the Ontario Bible College and Ryerson Polytechnical Institute's urban planning and interior design departments. St. Michael's Hospital and Toronto Western send the Stranskys their reports.

Volumes at the Bezalel Art Institute, Yad Vashem, the Keren Kayemeth and the Knesset bear the stamp of Walter Steranski. His death last year prompted many in Israel to ask: "What are we going to do without him?"

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Barbara Rosen, whose husband Barry is one of the U.S. hostages still being held in Iran, ties a yellow ribbon around a tree outside her Brooklyn home. The gesture alludes to the song "Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Old Oak Tree" which has become a theme for the safe return of the 52 Americans.

Discuss Zionist philosophies at 5-day Network conference

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

An intense debate erupted during a panel discussion on "What is Zionism" when participants with differing philosophies on the subject expressed their views during the Network Canada Conference 80 at the Airport Holiday Inn here, last week.

The panel was just one of the events organized by Network during the 5-day event at which approximately 260 students and young adults from across Canada (and some from the U.S.) were registered. There were numerous workshops and guest speakers, including Avraham Harman, president of Hebrew University, Yeshayahu Anug, Israel's ambassador to Canada and an Ethiopian Jewish girl currently living in Canada.

The lively dispute dealt with whether there was more to being a Zionist than giving money to Israel. Each panelist was introduced by moderator Max Goody, national president of the Zionist Organization of Canada and vice-president of the Canadian Zionist Federation.

Panelists included Julius Hayman, past national president of the Zionist Organization of Canada and publisher of the Jewish Standard, who spoke about General Zionism and gave a brief history of its development; Yossi Gansburg, education director for the Lubavitch Youth Organization, who spoke on the Jews' rights to Israel which were given by God; Uri Broides, aliya shaliach, who spoke on the Socialists' view of Zionism; and Ilan Rubin, senior assistant to the head of the aliya department in Jerusalem, who spoke on the Revisionist point of view.

Rafi Ben-Hur, an Israeli and director of student affairs at the Israel Aliya Centre in New York, responded to Hayman's statements by saying: "There is only one answer — to live in Israel," and his remark was greeted with a round of applause. He mentioned problems facing U.S. Jews, such as the high rate of intermarriage, Nazis receiving more support, and students who know very little about Israel.

Hayman had stated that "my philosophy of Jewish life is that it is Jewish life wherever it is being lived . . . I know I have made a greater contribution to Jewish life here than I could in Israel."

Later in the discussion, Gideon Atlas, an Israeli and a representative of Telem in New York responded to Goody's reference to the yordim (people who are leaving Israel). Atlas stated that after the Holocaust, Israel had to take many Jews of all types and now the number of yordim proves "the country needs more people of quality. . . . Israel doesn't need money as much as it needs help."

During a workshop after the panel, Ilan Rubin spoke about Canadian identity after aliya. He moved to Israel from Toronto in 1969 and besides working in the aliya department is chairman of the National Council of Young Herut.

He stated that the former concept of Israel as a melting pot has changed and that after 1967, Israel rediscovered the value of being a "cultural mosaic." He said Canadians can bring to Israel their way of dealing with politics and the "culture of argument" as well as the concept of participatory democracy, where individuals can join all kinds of groups.

Yeshayahu Anug, Israel's ambassador to Canada, spoke about prospects for 1981 and tried to put the Israeli scene into perspective. He took a "trip into the unknown," dealing with important issues such as economic crisis, the new U.S. administration, the Polish crisis, the Iraqi-Iranian war and upcoming elections in Israel.

Anug speculated that in the second half of 1981, the Western world would tackle high petroleum prices "without crumbling," but he said it depends on the ability of the Reagan administration "to tackle and be seen handling the situation properly."

He suggested that the solution for Poland was combined East and West economic assistance, and added that this mutual assistance could be a new bridge between the U.S. and USSR.

"This is only a guess. I do not foresee the world falling back into the terminology of the Cold War," he added.

While speaking about the Iraqi-Iranian war, Anug said he did not think any party will win and pointed to the split in the Arab world with the majority of countries supporting Iraq.

Discussing the Israeli election, which Anug said could be in the summer, October or November, he said "the government Israel has today is weakened by factions. It has a small political majority." He said the present government must either be elected with more power or there must be another government, but he added "it is very important that Israel should be stabilized, no matter what the electorate says about the government."

The youngest person to address the participants at the conference was an Ethiopian Jewish girl, who spoke briefly about how the Ethiopian Jews are treated.

Alpha Omega chapters at Harbour Castle Hilton

Canada hosts dentists' convention

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

If you had a toothache last week in Toronto, you were out of luck.

Unless you went to the Harbour Castle Hilton where about 400 dentists convened from around the world for the international convention of Alpha Omega fraternity.

They came from as far away as Switzerland and South Africa. And they brought their families. About 1,200 came in all, about 350 of whom were children.

For fun every morning they jogged, tennised, squashed and racqueted. In the evenings they tasted Toronto's night life.

And for more serious matters, something they could get their teeth into, so to speak, they filled their time with such matters as periodontics, endodontics and prosthodontics.

It was Alpha Omega's 73rd annual international convention — and it was the fourth time that the Toronto chapter of Alpha Omega hosted the international dental fraternity which has about 20,000 members in 15 countries.

"In terms of its numbers, programs and commitment to Jewish causes, there's not another international professional Jewish fraternity in the world like Alpha Omega," said convention marshal Dr. David Cowan. Cowan's deputy marshal was Dr. Irv Petroff. Both live in Toronto and were appointed two years ago to plan the convention.

Started in 1907 in Baltimore to combat anti-semitism, AO opened its doors to women in 1973, and also, in the last decade, has begun to attract non-Jews of varying race and creed.

Commenting on the incidence of anti-semitism today, Dr. Sandy Scheingold of Cincinnati, outgoing international president of AO, stated that anti-semitism was no longer considered to be a problem in most places in Europe — except, he said, in Marseilles.

Scheingold observed, however, that anti-semitism within the dental profession in the U.S. was still not eliminated satisfactorily.

Scheingold warned that skyrocketing costs of dental education in the U.S. particularly, would make dentistry "a preserve for the rich." Canada, with its greater government subsidy of university education, was not as threatened financially, he noted.

In delivering his "state of the union" address, Scheingold reported on his visits to some of AO's 126 chapters around the world. Zeroing in on Israel, he called for financial support for Israel's two dental schools which were constantly hamstrung by Israel's struggling economy.

Praising AO for its consistent professional and financial support, Dr. Amos Buchner, dean of the Tel Aviv dental school, told The CJN that graduates of the Tel Aviv dental school program are obligated to serve in remote and border areas of Israel for three years.

"The program is working beautifully," said Buchner. "Israel is in dire need of dentists all over but particularly in rural areas."

Dr. Yair Sharav, dean of the dental school at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, estimated there were about 2,200 dental practitioners in Israel, but that this number included large numbers of those trained in eastern Europe whose training did not meet Israel's standards.

Also, he said, the average age of the dentists is between 55 and 60. Some are women who only work part time. He said that to maintain even the same number of dentists, Israel would have to increase enrolment sharply.

In response to Israel's dental needs, Sharav said, AO has embarked on an emergency campaign fund to raise $250,000 to expand facilities at the two dental schools, as well as developing a mobile overseas group of dentists who will provide services in underprivileged areas.

AO chapters from England have already started the Ashkelon project which gives therapy to about 30 to 40 children every morning, and does emergency work on youth and adults in the afternoons.

The AO convention also faced problems of Soviet Refuseniks who are dentists.

Praising the lead taken by Canadian Alpha Omegans, Dr. Barney Frank of Rochester, international AO representative for Soviet Jewry, said that in organization and documentation, "the Canadians are far ahead of anyone else in AO."

During the convention, a tape was played of a telephone call made to Mark Nashbitz, 32, a Refusenik dentist who applied 10 years ago for a visa to emigrate. Nashbitz was imprisoned for five years, subsequently released and now works as a mortuary assistant.

AO "adopted" Nashbitz after his mother came to last year's convention in Tel Aviv to plead on behalf of her son. Since then, AO is investigating the cases of about 10 more Refusenik dentists.

Under the leadership of Dr. Harry Jolley, a past AO international president who is now the Canadian rep on AO's Soviet Jewry committee, AO intends to solicit grassroots support from politicians and the Canadian Dental Association.

Winner of the annual AO achievement award to person's "who have made outstanding contributions in the professions and sciences" was Avraham Harman, president of Hebrew University, and a former Israel ambassador to the U.S.

Lauded as a "champion" for the schools of dental medicine at Tel Aviv U and Hebrew U, Harman gave unstinting praise to AO for its work in setting up those two schools.

"We in Israel are grateful for the dental education at university level which AO helped start at Hebrew U and Tel Aviv U," Harman said.

Hebrew U dental school, which started 30 years ago with funding by Hadassah-WIZO as well as AO, provides Israel with its major source of dentists. It currently has 288 in its 6-year program, and also provides special upgrading programs for immigrants from the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and North Africa.

Harman praised Hebrew U's high level of professionalism, but remarked sadly that Israel was "backward" in delivery of services and prevention of dental disease.

In reviewing the turbulence of the Middle East, Harman commented that AO was an example of the kind of deep support and solidarity Jewish people in the free world gave to Israel.

Other winners of the AO achievement medal have been Albert Einstein, Jonas Salk and Hans Selye.

The Toronto chapter, which started 60 years ago, is the largest Alpha Omega chapter and has 600 members.

Participants sought for UIA Israel trip

By MOURA WOLPERT

TORONTO —

Wanted: warm, dedicated, caring women with a sense of commitment. Women who "wish to strengthen their Jewish identity and deepen their understanding" of Israel . . . Jewish women of Canada who would like to join Jewish women of Great Britain and Australia in the first international United Israel Appeal Women's Division mission to Israel, Feb. 2 to 11.

Gay Berger

They are wanted by Gay Berger, who might be describing herself when she talks about warm, dedicated, caring women. As UIA national Women's Division first vice-president as well as first vice-chairman for the Toronto Women's Division, she has been travelling the length and breadth of this country seeking the support of Canadian Jewish women for the mission.

What she is looking for, she said in a recent interview at the Toronto UIA office, where she spends a good deal of her time, "is people who will have the answers at their fingertips when they go back to their own communities. People who will have enough background to be able to stand up in Israel's defence — at social functions or wherever they happen to find themselves."

The idea of joining the 20 British women already committed to the trip and the half dozen from Australia is because "I don't want our women to come back feeling they're working in a vacuum. We are all in this together."

A member of the 1978 Women's Division mission that went to Poland and Romania as well as to Israel, Mrs. Berger was so enthusiastic about Israel that she returned a year later with her husband John and sons Martin and Jeffrey to celebrate Jeff's bar mitzvah at the Western Wall.

The itinerary of what she has decided to call "a mission with a heart" is not that of your average tourist and will include a visit to an absorption centre and to an air base "somewhere in the Negev." There will be lunch with soldiers and a briefing by their commander at an army field unit; meetings with settlers on the West Bank and a trip to the Jordanian border as well as to the Golan Heights and even into South Lebanon; inspection of a rehabilitation centre, and receptions at the homes of President Navon and Prime Minister Begin.

Anxious that the trip should not be too exhausting, Mrs. Berger is scheduling most speeches over breakfast and lunch, leaving dinners and evenings free wherever possible for informal gatherings and discussions. The base throughout the trip will be the King David Hotel in Jerusalem.

Joining the mission are national president of the Women's Division, Simone Goldberg of Ottawa, and Gert Cohos, second vice-president, as well as women from Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg and Toronto.

Anyone interested in the mission can obtain further information from the UIA office at 491 Lawrence Avenue W., Toronto, M5M 1C7, phone [416] 789-0575, or call Gay Berger at [416] 781-8181.

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Tel Aviv hosts Winnipeg display

By WOLF S. MATSDORF

TEL AVIV —

Israel got its first good look at Jewish pioneers from the Canadian West when Winnipegger Harry Gutkin brought a photographic exhibition of Jewish settlement in Western Canada to the Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv recently.

The exhibition attracted many former Canadians now living in Israel.

Canadian ambassador to Israel, Joseph Stanford, who attended the opening ceremonies, referred to the courage and persistence of the early Canadian Jewish pioneers and likened them in their achievements to Israel's chalutzim.

Stanford, who said the exhibition catalogue deepened his own knowledge and understanding of Canadian historical events, also praised Jewish settlers for their development of the Canadian West.

The exhibit at the Museum of the Jewish Diaspora, or Beth Hatefutsoth as it is known, was prepared by the Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada in co-operation with the Jewish communities of Western Canada.

Harry Gutkin, president of the Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada, planned and organized the exhibition which, in its original form, was called Journey into our Heritage. The Journey exhibition toured 10 cities across Canada and was shown in the National Museum in Ottawa.

A book by the same name, Journey into our Heritage, was later written by Gutkin and published in 1980.

A symposium on Canadian Jewry which followed the opening ceremonies included the following speakers: Dr. Geoffrey Wigoder, professor in contemporary Jewish studies at Hebrew University, Prof. Michael Brown of York University, who is now a visiting professor at Hebrew University in Jerusalem; Harris Gulko, former Keren Kayemeth official in Toronto and Montreal and now director of the U.S desk of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem; Melvin Fenson, former editor of the Winnipeg Jewish Post, and now Israel Bonds director in Jerusalem; and Prof. Becky Bergmann, a former native of Saskatchewan, who is now head of the school for nurses' training at Tel Aviv University.

Gulko said that the 300,000 Jews who live in Canada in approximately 100 communities had made a sizeable impact on public life in Canada. He said Canadian Jews contribute more per capita to Jewish causes than U.S. Jews, and Jewish day school education attracts anywhere from 12 to 50% of the Jewish student population, depending on the community.

Absorption of Jews into the mainstream in Canada was based on the principles of pluralism as in a mosaic in contrast to the U.S., where the melting pot concept was stressed, Gulko said.

Brown traced the history of Jewish settlement in Canada, and said that Canada had a very low profile until the turn of the century, more particularly after the World War II, when Jewish war refugees poured across the Canadian borders.

Joseph Stanford [left] Canadian ambassador to Israel, hears finer points of historical exhibit, from Harry Gutkin, Winnipeg.

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Ontario's way of endorsing UN declaration

Program for disabled to get $12 million

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

The Ontario government has allocated $12 million to establish new programs for disabled persons, according to Margaret Birch, social development secretary for the province of Ontario.

This is the province's official way of endorsing the International Year of Disabled Persons declared by United Nations for 1981.

The windfall comes in the midst of stepped-up activity by organizations representing the disabled for equal rights in employment, housing, education and access to public places.

Martin Krossel, 28, co-ordinator of the Network student task force on the physically disabled, called the Ontario government's program, "a long time in coming," but welcomed the infusion of funds as a stimulus to his group's planning.

Krossel, who has cerebral palsy, has been a champion of the disabled within the Jewish community. He has long maintained that Jewish communal organizations have made it difficult, if not impossible, for the Jewish disabled to either obtain — or sustain — Jewish identity.

David Lepofsky, 23, hopes that the money will be spent on programs which can give the physically handicapped a better deal in gaining employment and integration into the mainstream of the community.

Lepofsky, who is blind, is writing his bar admissions course, and is the representative for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind on a relatively new organization called Coalition on Human Rights for the Handicapped.

"It is in the public's interests to make the handicapped more employable by providing better access to buildings and using equipment adapted for the handicapped," Lepofsky stressed. "It's a lot cheaper than public welfare."

At the moment, details of the projects to be funded from the $12 million allocations are not available.

In a speech to the Ontario legislature, Birch mentioned some projects already underway for the disabled — such as braille typewriters for government offices, modifications of curbs in various municipalities, and an employer education program.

More specific news of projects will unfold, she said, after an inter-ministerial committee gets its act together. Some of the government departments involved are community and social services, labor, health and housing.

"The goal of the program is to promote the enjoyment of disabled persons of the same rights and opportunities which are available to other persons in society," said Birch.

"We all have an obligation to make the general physical environment . . . and social, economic and cultural activities accessible to disabled persons," she stated.

But the estimated 800,000 disabled persons in Ontario will withhold their comment until they see the Ontario government really means what it says, according to Krossel, who claims the province is "dragging its feet" on legislation for the disabled.

Lepofsky said the Ontario government has been promising legislation protecting the handicapped from discrimination for at least three years. He noted that groups and agencies representing the disabled really got up in arms last year over Bill 188, a bill drafted especially for the handicapped which purported to give them the human rights they were seeking.

However, over 70 disability-related groups and agencies — representing virtually every physical, intellectual, perceptual and emotional handicap — banded together to fight the bill. The coalition was called Coalition on Human Rights for the Handicapped and was formed in November, 1979.

"Not only was the language in Bill 188 impossible — the loopholes were incredible — but also, we didn't want a separate bill. We wanted to be included like everyone else within a human rights code. We wanted to be equal — but not separate," said Lepofsky.

Massive opposition not just by the disabled but also by the opposition parties killed Bill 188, said Lepofsky.

The coalition lived on and concentrated on making recommendations for amendments to Ontario's existing human rights code.

A new human rights bill called Bill 209 was drafted subsequently. Bill 209, which got second reading on Dec. 9, is now in committee. It incorporates, Lepofsky is pleased to say, a lot of the recommendations made by the coalition.

"Elgie (minister of labor) gave us a good hearing," Lepofsky admits. "He was very receptive to our ideas."

But Lepofsky is concerned that the wheels of justice move so slowly that "Ontario appears destined to be one of only three provinces which will enter 1981, the International Year of the Disabled Persons, without any human rights coverage for its handicapped citizens."

There are a lot of reasons for Lepofsky to be glum. As he says, Bill 209 raises controversial issues such as gay rights, adults only buildings and mandatory retirement — all of which can keep the committee bogged down for quite a while.

Also, look at the legislature's timetable, Lepofsky said. The legislature can recess for winter and reconvene in March. But if a spring election is called, that could mean the legislature won't convene until fall. So Bill 209 may be a long way from becoming law.

All is not gloomy, however, in the parliamentary chambers at Queen's Park. Bill 82, which guarantees special school programs for 320,000 Ontario children with specific learning needs, was given third reading, Dec. 6, and royal assent on Dec. 12.

Bill 82 makes it mandatory that children who are gifted or disadvantaged must have special programs designed to meet their needs. Up until Bill 82, said John Gillies, information officer with the ministry of education, local school boards could exercise their discretion about such programs.

Now, he stressed, no such leeway exists. Gillies said the education ministry has earmarked $75 million dollars over the next five years to help school boards phase in their special programs.

Bill 82 also provides for a special education tribunal to hear appeals launched by parents, who are dissatisfied with decisions of local school boards regarding their children.

If parents don't like either the placement or evaluation of their children's needs, they can take their case before the tribunal, Gillies said.

UJA MISSION REPORT

"I have visited Israel a number of times in the past, but this trip provided me with an insight into the workings of the UJA and how the funds are used to help start new settlements, provide housing and renovate slum areas. After seeing a number of projects, I could not help feeling proud that I was in a small way a part of all this work."

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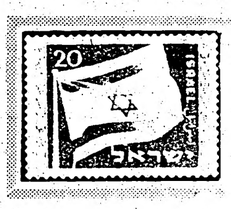

stamps

By CHAIM YEHUDA

The first shekel definitives released in December consist of 13 multi-colored stamps ranging from IS. 0.05 to IS. 10. (IS. abbreviation for shekel).

Designed by G. Sagi, of Tel Aviv, these stamps were issued on a standby basis — that is they are provisionals and presumably will be replaced as soon as possible with a new set of definitives.

It is rather disappointing that it was necessary to resort to a complete standby series rather than a more permanent issue with a creative design.

These standby stamps are not the first issue in shekels — on Sept. 28, an attractive souvenir sheet, depicting a view of Haifa from a 17th century etching, was released for "Haifa 80" national stamp exhibition.

Shekel coins have appeared recently. Reports indicate that these coins are not proving to be popular due to their size. They are smaller than the ones they are replacing but will probably be accepted in time.

The word shekel appears very early in the Bible. Based on the Hebrew "lishqol," to weigh, its connotation was generally accepted both in ancient Palestine and in the whole Middle East. Many biblical examples can be cited, including Genesis 23:15, when Ephron the Hittite of Hebron shrewdly conveys to the bereaved Abraham the value of the plot he wanted for Sarah's burial: "400 shekels of silver," while a continuation of the story in verse 16 describes the payment of 400 shekels of silver, current money with the merchants."

Over many centuries the shekel developed from a weight to a minted coin. A large, handsome coin imprinted with a horse-drawn carriage carrying three passengers weighing nearly an ounce was the prototype of the popular Tyrian shekel minted in the city of Tyre between the years 126 BCE and 56 CE.

Only during the 66-70 CE revolt against the Romans were the characteristic Jewish silver shekels, half-shekels and quarter-shekels minted, bearing in archaic Hebrew the words "Shekel Israel" and the coin's denomination. Towards the end of the revolt, when precious metals became scarce, shekels were struck in bronze.

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sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Bo

A Jew has two calendars. The civil calendar follows the sun, the Jewish calendar, the moon. The difference is so important that the Shabbat before Rosh Chodesh, the new moon, we recite special prayers.

Reb Chaim Sanzer was once visited by a certain rabbi who was a tremendous Talmid chacham, but reputedly not too careful in his observance of the commandments. Reb Chaim greeted him coolly. Soon after, Reb Chaim was visited by an extremely wealthy man, also not too pious, but the Sanzer welcomed him with open arms.

When the scholarly rabbi departed, he complained to Reb Chaim: "That other fellow is no more pious than I am. Why did you greet him so warmly — because of his wealth?"

"G-d forbid," responded Reb Chaim quickly. "But you know, in the Birchat Hachodesh that we say each month, the cantor recites: 'Life, where we have fear of Heaven and fear of sin. . . .' And then he repeats: 'Life, where there is love of Torah and fear of Heaven. . . .' Why does he have to mention 'fear of Heaven' a second time? But it teaches that where there is Torah, when a person is a scholar, there has to be special yir'at shomayim, fear of Heaven. . . ."

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When a Jew steps out during the first half of the month to recite kiddush levana, blessing over the moon, he announces: "David melech Yisrael chai v'kayon. . . . David King of Israel is alive!" What does King David have to do with the new month?

Answered the Ramo: "We attest to the fact that just as the moon shrinks monthly to nothingness, seems to be erased, but then again waxes to its silver fullness — the same with the fortunes of the House of David and the kingdom of the Jews."

Often, it appears that the light of the Jews will be snuffed out. The Hamans of every generation rise up with new methods of defaming us. There seems to be no hope — and then the light rises and shines again!

A long time after the pygmies, the liars and the murderers who populate the halls of the United Nations have been eradicated from history, there will be a vibrant, alive, flourishing Jewish nation in Israel, under G-d's wing!

But we have to endure. We can't rush the redemption. A certain Jew came to the Kotzker Rebbe and complained about his bitter lot: "I wish that the bad times would pass quickly by."

"Don't rush it!" answered the Kotzker. "The law is that on Passover night, when you have to eat marror, the bitter herb, if a Jew quickly swallows down the bitterness without lingering on its taste, he does not fulfil the mitzvah. The bitterness must be chewed, tasted, digested . . ."

We, the Jewish people, are entering a new, dangerous phase in our turbulent history. We must be strong, endure, taste and know the bright redemption will come soon, soon.

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How can a Jew help save the Jewish people? We have a spiritual shield — that shield is the Torah. When the Jewish people study Torah, they gird themselves in G-d's might. No Jew has a right to go a day without learning some Torah, whether in English or Hebrew, whether it's a verse from the Bible or a Maharsho on Toefot, every Jew must learn.

Why else are we here on earth? The first mitzvah reads: "Hachodesh hazeh lachem — This month is to you!" Up to now, said the Almighty, your time was under the control of others — now times belongs to you. Time is the greatest wealth. Use it, do mitzvahs with it, study Torah with it!

Shabbat Shalom.

Winning friends for Israel

He's spent a lifetime working for world Jewry

By BOB GOTTLIEB

His smile is slow to build, but it stays with you. His manner — outwardly — is easy-going. Yet, five minutes with Zvi Garcy, and instinct tells you there is a well of intensity that runs deep.

Instinct serves you well. Garcy is indeed a man of underlying currents. In the course of an interview, some float to the surface naturally . . . others don't and can only be guessed at . . . and some, you will learn, you don't want to know.

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Zvi Garcy: **who** is he?

The lines of his resume tell you he's head of United Israel Appeal's English desk . . . the UIA's chief emissary to English-speaking countries throughout the world. Fund raising is his business now, and he's as good at it as they come.

A well known figure in Canada which he visits frequently to help out in the annual UIA, UJA and CJA campaigns.

Impressive.

And the lines also tell you of a lifetime in the cause of world Jewry and Israel: British army service in the Palestine Brigade . . . Haganah activist and IDF man . . . rescuer of oppressed Jews from the Arabias to — and through — the Iron Curtain.

Those who know, in fact, call him "The Man Who Met The Trains," dating back to the years he spent (as the Jewish Agency's European mainspring) shepherding Russian and Romanian Jews out of Europe, to a new life in Israel.

Again, impressive.

And yet . . . and yet somehow you sense this is the Zvi Garcy who does, not the Zvi Garcy who is. And you itch to know what **compels** the man: to a life "on the road," always away from his Haifa home . . . to devote these later years, when he could be raising roses, to raising funds instead . . . to speak of his work as a man who has seen what we have not.

Zvi Garcy

And so you want to know. Humanitarians, after all, are not born: something makes them turn the corner.

In Zvi Garcy's case, you will learn, it's a matter of corners twice turned. . . .

At 16, he comes off the boat at Haifa port, a part of the Henrietta Szold Youth Aliyah. The year is 1938.

He has left his mother behind, in their native Germany. He will look for her . . . after the war . . . but he will never see her again.

What he sees instead, everywhere he looks, are the remnants of European Jewry: decimated . . . suffering . . . homeless.

And Zvi Garcy has turned his first corner — he will spend the next 23 years bringing Jews "home" to Israel, from wherever they are . . . from wherever they need help.

His efforts during those years will earn him the gratitude of literally thousands — and the enmity of many others. There are locales, even today, where he remains marked. This is not a consideration to him; what **is**, is that free-breathing Jews realize they **still** have brothers at risk everywhere. At risk as they wait, at risk as they help. . . .

The Zvi Garcy who has been speaking of those early times shifts in his chair, breaking away from yesterday. He is out of gathering the homeless and opressed now, into gathering of a different cloth. And he is eager to talk about it.

"Now," he tells you, ". . . **now** I raise funds. And I raise commitment. . . ."

The emphasis falls on that last, and as he warms to the subject — commitment — the irony strikes you. In a way perhaps even he fails to see, Zvi Garcy is still bringing home the homeless Jew. No longer to Israel, maybe . . . but certainly to his roots.

"My greatest achievement," he is saying, ". . . is that I've won so many friends: for Israel, for UJA. I love to bring in new people . . . get them involved. Or bring back the inactive ones.

"I make them realize," he says, ". . . that without them, Israel cannot survive. And they cannot survive without Israel."

"Can the heart," he asks, ". . . survive without the body?"

He turns pensive now, responding more to some inner thought, than to an interviewer. And suddenly he is talking about the young people he meets. He has a special feeling for them. . . .

"They're receptive," he tells you. "I pay attention to them as individuals. They — in Israel, in the Diaspora — **they** are our continuation. How can you not pay attention to all our tomorrows?"

His affinity for youth is striking, but no time to reflect on it as he rises from his chair.

"Now," he says, "I go back to work. . . ."

Back to work. Today, Toronto: phone calls here, meetings there. Always in the cause. Eight in the morning, until . . . ?

Tomorrow, Montreal . . . a 2-hour airport conference.

The day — the **days** — after? England and Scotland, then Zurich . . . then New Zealand . . . Australia . . . Hong Kong . . . Bangkok . . . South Africa. . . .

Does he ever go home, to Haifa? "He smiles: "Sometimes. . . ."

He shrugs his slight frame into his topcoat, runs a veined hand through graying hair.

You quickly check that resume on your desk. Anything left out of the lines . . . or between them?

Right! Of course. The family. We didn't spend a moment on it.

His wife, you ask: Zvia, according to the information. This time the Garcy smile is instant. "Wonderful woman," he beams, ". . . one hundred times better than I deserve. She travels with me, of course. . . ."

"And your children? It says here you have a daughter, Yael? And a son . . . ?"

"David . . . ," he softly intones.

For a moment, the opposite figure is lost in some special reverie, the frank eyes focussed . . . where?

Then he says, quietly: "You know . . . in Israel, we never ask a stranger about his children. Not until we know him. . . ."

There is an awkward pause. Then the slow Garcy smile and a warm "Shalom. . . ."

And he's gone.

And then you know it — the corner of that second turning.

And you know what it is that compels Zvi Garcy. And you wish you didn't. . . .

Rabbi says Torah shows love for all

By NACHMAN SHEMEN

The universality of the Torah is reflected in, among other things, its accommodation of non-Jews. In this exerpt from his book "Jewish Attitudes Towards the Non-Jew," Rabbi Nachman Shemen, director of the Canadian Jewish Congress Orthodox division [Ontario Region], describes the favor which sages of the past regarded their non-Jewish neighbors.

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The Talmud, which penetrates the depths of the written Torah, illuminating its teachings and interpreting all the 613 commandments, shows love for the entire human race.

There and in the Homiletics we find discussions concerning judgments handed down against individual "sons of Noah," that is, non-Jews. Under no circumstances is an attitude of superiority implied.

In the third century, Rabbi Yochanan stated that the nations living in lands outside Israel were not to be regarded as idol-worshippers. Tosefut adds the comment that non-Jews living within Israel also were not to be regarded as idol-worshippers.

Rabbi Meir, who socialized frequently with non-Jews, once expressed condolences to a Gentile in mourning a man by the name of Avinoam Hagardi. He also replied to a query of Cleopatra concerning the truth about resurrection from the dead.

This famous rabbi declared: "How do we know that a Gentile who learns Torah is as worthy as a 'high priest?' We know this from the passage: "He (the man) who practices the commandments and lives by them . . ." Mention is not made here of priests, Levites or Israelites, but **man**, the human being. From this we deduce that a Gentile who studies Torah is likened to a Kohen (high priest).

Rabbi Nachman Shemen

The Talmud further states that to follow the precepts of the Torah means only the seven precepts given to the sons of Noah.

Rabbi Jeremiah concurred with Rabbi Meir, adding the passage: "This is the Torah for man — not the Torah for the Kohenim, the Levites or Israelites, but for **man** — only man is important!"

The prophet Isaiah says: "Open the gates and let the virtuous Gentile enter." Also in the Psalms we read: "This is the gate of the Lord where the righteous enter" — that is, both Jew and non-Jew.

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As a reward for the 42 sacrifices he offered, Balak was granted the privilege of being the ancestor of Ruth, even though he had been willing to malign and try to destroy the Jews from Egypt in the desert. Ruth attained the singular honor of having a book of the bible named after her (Megillath Ruth); from her, as well, sprang the royal dynasty of David.

In the Gemorrah we read that he who speaks words of wisdom, even if he is an outsider, is called a wise man. In Brachot we find a special blessing for the wise men of the Gentile nations; and in Soteh we find that non-Jewish sages are permitted to undertake the study of the written Torah.

Rabbi Be'Chai, in his introduction to the volume "Chovot - Halev'vot," writes that "every man who speaks words of wisdom shall be called a wise man, even from among the nations of the world."

The Gemorrah relates a discussion about the interpretation of a passage from Proverbs: "Charity brings forgiveness to other nations." Rabbi Yochanan ben Zakai interpreted the text as meaning that charity brings forgiveness to the nations, saying, "If the Almighty forgives the sins which Israel commits against Him, then charity will bring forgiveness to the nations of the world."

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On the subject of the heathen who "observes the sabbath" thereby "deserving death," my own feeling is that this idea arose out of fear of the Greeks and Romans.

They, like the Roman philosopher Seneca, mocked and scorned the Jewish day of rest. They claimed that the Sabbath proved that Jews were lazy, perhaps out of fear lest the idea of a day of rest might take hold in their own lands among their slaves.

The talmud describes harsh laws against the study of the Torah, against circumcision and the keeping of the Sabbath. Thus Jews had to protect themselves against informers who would ostensibly follow the Jewish precepts in order to win the confidence of the Jews and then betray them to the authorities. A Gentile who kept the Sabbath but did not convert to Judaism was feared to be an informer.

Munk Award to Dundas doctor

TORONTO —

Dr. Irene Turpie, 39, of Dundas, Ont., has won the $10,000 Nicholas M. and Hedy J. Munk Geriatric Award for 1980, Sam Ruth, chairman of the Munk Award selection committee and president of the Baycrest Centre Foundation, announced last week.

A resident in internal medicine at McMaster University, Hamilton, Dr. Turpie will use the award to gain geriatric experience by working in units in the United Kingdom, Europe and Israel. After completion of her training, she plans to practice geriatric medicine in Hamilton.

Born in England, Dr. Turpie is a Canadian citizen. She received her medical degree from the University of Glasgow and did internships in Scotland and Kenya.

The Munk Award, coordinated by Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, is open to any physician under the age of 40 who has demonstrated special merit in geriatrics or whose achievements indicate future success in the field. First presented at Baycrest in 1978, the award is given bi-annually.

Nicholas Munk, a retired mechanical engineer, emigrated from his native Hungary and subsequently settled in Toronto. He has been a member of the Baycrest board of directors for more than 30 years.

TJC annual set for March 29

TORONTO —

Sixth annual meeting of Toronto Jewish Congress has been scheduled for Sunday, March 29, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Agenda will include multiple elections, including those to the post of delegates-at-large to the TJC as well as officers and members of the executive.

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Irene and Alex Arkin [from left] and chefs Ming Szeto and Henry Ing prepare for the Monday night Chinese buffet, at Herschel's Restaurant.

Kosher Chinese food buffet delights Herschel's patrons

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

On the eve of its second anniversary, Herschel's Restaurant & Tavern has introduced a glatt kosher Chinese buffet — all the egg rolls, beef and chicken chow mein, chicken balls, honeyed wings and egg-drop soup — to name a few of the selections — that you can eat for $7.95.

This Monday night special, originally announced to its regular patrons by a small poster near the door, has proved an instant success. "We're now the only kosher restaurant serving Chinese food in Toronto," claims Alex Arkin who, with wife Irene, owns and manages the 12-man operation. "We're the only ones in North America offering kosher Chinese buffet."

Herschel's is located in an industrial plaza on Dufferin St., north of Finch.

Supervision by the Vaad Hakashruth of the Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region was discontinued recently at Moishe's Restaurant, the only other such Chinese food outlet locally, upon its transfer to new management.

"We've always offered some Chinese food since the start," Mrs. Arkin told The Canadian Jewish News on a typically busy Monday evening. "But these were sample combination plates — at dinner, or businessmen's specials at lunch. In our Monday night buffets, we've greatly increased our variety."

Arkin said that two full-time Chinese cooks were hired, under the direction of Herschel's main chef, Mark Meltzer. A special stove was bought at the same time, its two oversized woks heated by burners of 100,000 BTUs each.

Arkin, who usually supervises in the kitchen, serves the soup and hot selections at the buffet on Monday nights. Mrs. Arkin bustles back and forth from the restaurant's account books, spread out on one of the red-covered dining tables in a side vestibule, to the cash register at the door.

The Arkins started Herschel's in February, 1979. "We knew there was a need for a kosher dining room that was respectable and served full-course gourmet meals at reasonable prices," said Mrs. Arkin. Its location, somewhat off the beaten Jewish track, was chosen for its view of a conservation area. "These particular premises also gave us all the kitchen space we needed," she said.

"Running a kosher establishment has allowed us to keep all the traditional days off. We close completely during Passover, which has become our vacation time," she added.

Mrs. Arkin praises the Orthodox community for its continued support of the restaurant. "Observant people have flocked here from the start. When in town, they have come here from Caracas, Mexico City, Cleveland, Brussels and Jerusalem. Our American guests say they were told to look us up."

Various Israeli dignitaries have eaten at Herschel's, including Yehuda Blum, Israel's ambassador to the UN. "He was seated in a corner, and we were told to just ignore him. But with all the bodyguards around him, it was hard to do."

Among the more unusual entries in Herschel's guest book is one by Baruch Nachshon, from Qiryat Arba in Israel — a small sketch in ink of the Western Wall and its environs.

The Arkins now cater weddings, sheva brachas (the week-long festivities surrounding traditional Jewish weddings), and other affairs. The whole restaurant may be reserved for a private party.

Two recent incidents indicate the soul of the restaurant.

As a young couple entered, the boy gestured furtively to Mrs. Arkin. "I-I have a problem," he stammered, red-faced. He was reluctant to say what it was. "You can't pay?" asked Mrs. Arkin. "That's not it," he said. "What is it, then?" she asked again. "Well," he finally answered, "I'm not Jewish — I'm Italian — and I heard there are special customs and foods you're not supposed to eat together. I don't want to be embarrassed."

Mrs. Arkin, relieved, assured him that all the selections in the restaurant were perfectly compatible with each other, and that he could order and eat as anywhere else.

The other event: One man approaches another at the buffet, calls him by name, and the two embrace in tears. They sit down, laughing and crying as they talk together. It seems, as Mrs. Arkin found out, that the two were former inmates at a concentration camp and had not seen each other in 34 years.

Showbiz law becoming big business

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

Entertainment law? Sounds intriguing! And if you ask Sandra Chapnick, who is earning a reputation as an expert in that field, it's exciting stuff. Even more so these days, says the 39-year old lawyer, because she has become a film producer herself.

Chapnik, who is a law partner in the firm of Banks & Chapnik, is also one third of a partnership team of Superstar Management Services Inc. The latter company, which offers athletes and performing artists a complete career management service, is currently involved in co-production of a television series called "Everybody Loves a Hero" with another firm, Telegenic Programs Inco.

Hero documents the struggle of Ron LeFlore, the star outfielder of the Montreal Expos, who was born in the slums of Chicago and took up baseball while in prison. A pilot episode of the intended 26 half-hour TV series was filmed in Montreal this August.

Chapnik is excited because the Hero pilot is now ready to be shown to potential customers. "I've been in on this film from the idea stage right through to final production," she says, "and I loved every minute of it."

Sometimes Chapnik becomes so fascinated by the creative side of the productions in which she acts as legal advisor that she has to pinch herself to remember that she is first and foremost a lawyer.

There are many facets to Chapnik's work as a lawyer in the entertainment field. In the Hero production, she is in on them all. She not only produces, she handles the multitude of legal contracts for the actors, musicians, cinematographers and screenwriters. She also handles Hero as an investment property for clients looking to take advantage of the Canadian government's tax incentives in the Canadian film industry.

In its attempts to promote Canadian performing artists and an indigenous film industry, the government offers a 100% tax writeoff to any Canadian investor putting money into a "certified" Canadian film. But investors have to be careful that the film really is certified, she says.

A certified film must hire sufficient Canadians for key production positions, and must also spend about 75% of its total costs in Canada, she explains.

Chapnik checks out certification requirements with an eagle eye. "The department of secretary of state is laying down tighter restrictions," she says. "They don't like the idea of co-producers from the U.S. any more."

[Marlo Fieldstone photo]

Sandra Chapnik

In her advice to her clients, Chapnik warns against any Canadian-U.S. deals. "As a matter of principle," she says, "I only work with all-Canadian productions. I'm convinced we've got enough home-grown talent right in our own backyard."

That doesn't mean that Chapnik is not selective about the properties or producers she elects to work with. "When I advise a client of the viability of a project," she says, "I look at the whole production, but particularly, I try to assess the producers."

Chapnik looks for experience and the ability to keep costs within the budget. But she is also impressed by dedication and commitment. "I like to see producers who believe in the worth of what they are doing," she says.

Chapnik feels strongly that investors as well as the producers should like the property for its own merits, not just as a tax writeoff. "As interim financiers, investors hope to be repaid from the sale of the property . . . but what if it takes longer than originally anticipated?" she asks. It's the extra dash of commitment that counts when a film is taking a little longer to sell, she says.

Besides films for TV — as well as for movies — Chapnik has also been the legal consultant in such popular stage productions as "Anne of Green Gables" and cabaret shows such as "Indigo" and "Blue Champagne."

She reports a decline in investment in movies. Investors would rather put their money into TV films, she says, because budgets are easier to control. While movies can pull off boxoffice success, high costs of production and distribution often wipe out profits.

Superstar Management Services Inc. started in June, 1979, when Chapnik joined in with her legal partner Leonard Banks, and R. Carl Hadfield, a former professional hockey player. At that time, says Chapnik, it was obvious there was a void in legal and management services both for professional athletes as well as performing artists.

"Athletes have short but high income producing years, and need to plan for the future when their playing days are over," she says. "They need career counseling."

She points out that performing artists often live day-by-day. They frequently put up their own money for productions, and in the first flush of artistic collaboration they often overlook the practical for the creative.

Chapnik says litigation usually arises because there is no contract, or at best an ambiguous understanding which crumbles under stress. She recalls her first law suit in the field of entertainment when she acted for a distraught producer caught up in the escalating costs of the artists he hired. There was no fixed amount for sets and costumes and as costs spiralled, he panicked.

While the entertainment side of her law practice grows, Chapnik still operates a full general law practice with her partner Leonard Banks. With Banks concentrating on real estate and commercial work, Chapnik is finding that her family law cases are also on the rise.

"While marriages of just five years are breaking up, there is also a large number of long-standing marriages of over 20 and 30 years which are falling apart," she says.

Chapnik doesn't rush her clients to make fast decisions. "If I see the slightest chance for reconciliation, I recommend a marriage counsellor," she says. "When there is no possibility for rehabilitation, I make every effort to settle out of court.

"While I don't compromise my client's rights, I try to avoid litigation by advising my client to take less or give more. The emotional pitch is very high at times like this, and I try to keep communications open by asking for fairness and honesty."

Chapnik herself is happily married to ear, nose and throat specialist, Dr. Jerry Chapnik, and they have 4 children. A scholarship winner all the way through high school, university and teacher's college, she decided to go back to school and study law at the age of 33.

In an article she wrote for the Ober Dicta, Osgoode Hall's student newspaper, Chapnik responded to the oft-asked question about why she returned to school.

"I REALLY DONT'T KNOW . . . SOMETIMES EVEN I WONDER . . . I wonder when I sit in a class thinking about what to make for supper that night . . . I wonder when I tried to do my homework with all four kids talking at once . . . I wonder when I realize I haven't spoken to my husband all week . . . I wonder when I make an appointment with hairdresser to cover up my gray. . . ."

Chapnik is still wondering. But the facts are self-evident. She has brains, talent and drive, and when a challenge arises, she simply can't resist it.

Last but not least, Chapnik says that her strongest supporter is her husband, and that without him and her family, none of her achievements would have been worthwhile.

Sam Levene dies

Long career in the theatre

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO —

The sudden passing late last month in New York City of 75-year-old Sam Levene has special meaning for Toronto theatregoers, because it is here that he performed in his final role.

Levene, whose career in the theatre and in films lasted for more than 50 years, recently starred in the Leah Posluns Theatre production of Horowitz and Mrs. Washington. It was to be his final role.

His career began in 1927 after he had finished studying at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts and since those early days he chalked up many credits.

In the theatre he was known as a tyrant . . . but a tyrant directors and fellow actors respected. They knew he was a pro and the only reason he would yell at his fellow actors and at directors was because he demanded perfection. Sam Levene was a man who never knew second best.

The role that Levene is probably best known for is Nathan Detroit in "Guys and Dolls." He played that part on Broadway for 3½ years.

Right until the end Levene was a working actor who had high standards that he lived by. He told The CJN while in Toronto that "I'll do a play if I find it interesting. I've often refused to do a play if I don't agree with the subject matter." But then in the next breath, Levene said "acting is a business . . . it's a living."

It may sound a bit cliche, but Levene really was an actor's actor. He said you really don't need to have a good memory to be an actor. Rather, he added, "you study lines, you study scenes and you study what a play is about. Then your lines will come to you."

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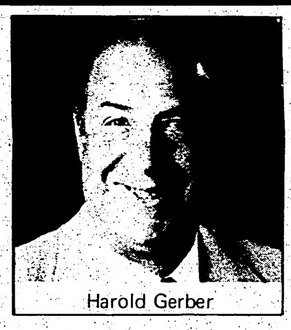
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Arts

What's furor about der Fuhrer?

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

"What's the furor about der Fuhrer? We are all neo-Nazis. This is Berlin before the fall!"

That's the chorus-line refrain of a hard-driving rock number which opens with the live recording of a mass Hitler rally and closes with this refrain — repeated several times in screaming frenzy.

Recorded in Toronto by Carol Pope and her group Rough Trade, this song along with Fashion Victim (the flipside of their single release) are the most promoted cuts on the group's recently-released album "Avoid Freud." The music has received steady airplay over CHUM-FM and several FM rock stations. However, quite interestingly, most AM stations, including youth-oriented CFTR, have so far not played it, although the flipside is played.

It is inaccurate to include Rough Trade in the punk movement, although the music is rock-and-roll. For, in lyrics and style, the band is much more arty and satirical than the basic, crude, hard-driving punk conglomeration.

On Dec. 19, Rough Trade, which before this song had, for a long time, attracted a respectable but not overflowing cult audience in various downtown clubs, drew a large crowd at the Masonic Temple Auditorium on the prime location crossing of Yonge and Davenport. One can guess that the notoriety of this one song has been at least partially responsible for this upsurge in popularity.

The song is not an open advocacy of Nazi ideology, and this fact makes the inevitable Jewish reaction that more complex. Rather, its lyrics state that the same conditions which give birth to Nazism in Weimar Germany (economic slump, cultural trends, etc.), exist here and will produce the same results in the near future.

In its purely musical credit, this song is hard-rock at its most effective, and can very easily work its audiences into a frenzied hysteria. And here is where one must ask some disturbingly provocative questions:

How great a proportion of Depression-threatened white youth who would dig this song, fully understand the true horror implications of Nazism? (The word "atrocity" is once-mentioned and that's it).

How many of them, vulnerable to simplistic cults and all-encompassing world views, would even want to understand?

How many of them, whose life-outlooks have been at least partially shaped by the violent punk-rock ethos of the past five years (an ethos whose image has been personified by Rough Trade) would rather regard Nazism as being just another trendy nostalgia fad from that common great wellspring of nostalgia, the 30s and 40s?

And finally, how many of them, who go for punk-rock ethos of the past five years, would rather regard Nazism as being just another trendy nostalgia fad from that common great wellspring of nostalgia, the 30s and 40s?

And finally, how many of them, who go for demonology when wanting to be "bad" for kicks (demonology always historically emerges as the parallel flip-side of Christian fundamentalist revivalism), will, when they hear this frenzied-rush song, embrace Nazism as the ultimate domestic high?

The Paris youth demi-monde of today is full of this sentiment.

In a recent interview with the Downtowner, a forthnightly newspaper, Carole Pope saw herself as a tongue-in-cheek social satirist. So did Carroll O'Connor as Archie Bunker. Both profess underlying liberal intent.

But unfortunately, mass audiences in distress usually don't notice the underlying spoof-subtleties. They take what's up-front at face value. And for pop entertainers (who really aren't so naive) to commercially exploit such mass psychologies....

Once kids have attended the theatre, they're hooked for life, says director

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

Members of the audience crouched under their chairs or made funny faces and noises. But, as they say, the show must go on and the unperturbed actors continued with their antics.

Fortunately, the actors in the play — "Old King Cole" at the Young People's Theatre — encouraged participation from the mainly public school-aged crowd, who noisily cheered the characters they liked and booed the characters they disliked.

Artistic director Peter Moss, who started with the YPT in September, said the play is "full of participation and good holiday-type entertainment." He added that his 4-year-old daughter has seen the play three times.

"The plot requires children and the events that happen can't happen without children," said Moss. It is loud and noisy but "the actors can cope very well."

Old King Cole will continue until Jan. 18. "Dracula" will be playing until Jan. 24. For information on times of performances call 363-5131.

He said he has attracted good actors from Stratford and "there are not many who turn down an opportunity to work in front of kids."

Peter Moss

But he warned that "you must never patronize from the stage because the kids get angry and annoyed." The actors must be able to hear the audience, since the audience can hear the actors, "and the shows must be structured so you can do that."

(In a New York Post article (Feb. 16, 1980) Clive Barnes stated: "The wonderful Young People's Theatre in Toronto has no idea of patronizing anybody. It is out to provide decent theatre where a young person can take his or her parent without being bored.")

In addition to the plays — presented in a theatre which is in a renovated building on Front St. that once housed the stables for the horses that pulled the early Toronto streetcars — there are three touring productions which travel all around Ontario. Moss said that 250,000 young people are introduced to theatre in a year. "It's good in terms for the theatre and good for the kids."

There is also a theatre school, designed for children and young adults age 7 to 20 and approximately 300 students sign up annually.

Montreal-born Moss said he did not go to the theatre when he was young, but was introduced to it when he was 15. He said that "television is accessible competition, but once kids go to the theatre, they are hooked for life."

After working in the Phoenix Theatre in Leicester, England from 1974 to 1977, Moss was named assistant to Robin Phillips in Stratford, Ont., then director of the Third Stage of the Stratford Shakespearean Festival and in 1979, associate director of the festival.

Moss said he found that he was more involved with the Jewish community in Stratford than he has been with the community in Toronto because "in a small town, involvement is more necessary."

Moss was one of the four directors who were supposed to take charge of Stratford during the coming season but all four were fired in November and the Stratford board announced the appointment of British director, John Dexter. Dexter had immigration problems and the board appointed John Hirsch as artistic director (CJN, Jan. 1).

Moss decided to come to YPT, he said, because he needed a change and "the time was right to put things together."

Part of his job as YPT artistic director involves choosing the plays which will be staged, and manuscripts, many unsolicited, are piled in shelves in his office. "I do a lot of reading and talking to find out what's in the field."

He said it is the policy to use material with good writing that "reflects and is responsive to the needs of kids." Although not all of the plays are written by Canadians, Moss said he always uses Canadian actors and directors.

The theatre is accessible to children in wheelchairs, but Moss said there is no special program for blind or deaf children, because "it's too expensive without a lot of help and the theatre doesn't have the resources. But if we did, we would do it in a second."

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Freud, The Man and the Cause
By Ronald Clark
Clarke, Irwin & Co., $26.95

Greatness and Limitation of Freud's Thought
By Erich Fromm
Harper & Row, $9.95

Freud Rediscovered
By Lucy Freeman
Clarke, Irwin & Co., $13.95

Dead for more than 40 years, Freud is still the subject of interminable discussion and unseemly controversy. The books about him proliferate unendingly.

W. H. Auden proclaimed that he "is no more a person now, but a whole climate of opinion." The astute critic Lionel Trilling referred to psychoanalysis as "the slang of our culture." On the other hand, a prominent scientist recently characterized psychoanalytic theory as "the most stupendous intellectual confidence trick of the twentieth century."

The badgered and beleaguered Freud had a quick response to those who were inclined to ridicule his theories: "They may abuse my doctrines by day, but I am sure they dream of them by night."

Clark's massive biography (recently published in paperbound form) included information that has come to light since the publication in 1957 of Ernest Jones' official biography. He skilfully chronicles Freud's busy life and explains such influential ideas as infantile sexuality, the role of the unconscious and the mechanism of repression. He suggests that the vast structure of psychoanalytic theory will probably remain in dispute until psychology eventually joins hands with physiology.

Two years before his death Freud admitted that "the validity of psychoanalytic findings and theories are not definitely established, but actually are still in their beginning and in need of development and repeated verification and confirmation." These frank words should never be forgotten by both the admirers and detractors of the master.

Erich Fromm, in his posthumous essay, evaluates Freud's theories in the light of new knowledge and insights. He insists that transference, or voluntary dependence on an authority figure, is a widespread social phenomenon, not confined to one's doctor or family, as Freud supposed. Repression, he believes, includes not just sexuality, but all of our hidden selves — guilt, anger, fear and a sense of powerlessness.

He reminds us that Freud was the child of middle-class Viennese parents, reared in a distinctive time and milieu. It is no wonder that he tended to overlook the needs and concepts of other classes and cultures and downgraded socio-economic factors. Women, unfortunately, were regarded in a bourgeois manner that often approached disdain. All in all, this is a fair, knowledgeable, well modulated appraisal.

Lucy Freeman, who has spent many years trying to explain psychoanalysis, has written an engrossing account of Freud, his circle of followers and the major arguments both for and against his theories. It is the most accessible of the three books reviewed: anecdotal, lucid, and helpful.

The material on Freud the Jew is of special interest. Ernest Jones believed that if Freud hadn't been a Jew he would never have discovered psychoanalysis: "I think of a peculiar native shrewdness, a skeptical attitude toward deception and illusion, and a determined courage that made him impervious to hostile public opinion and the contumely of his professional colleagues."

Because of the widespread anti-semitism of the time, Freud proposed that Jung, a Swiss Protestant, become president of the International Psychoanalytic Association in order to free it from its "Jewish image."

"Moses and Monotheism" (1939) revealed Freud's ambivalence about his Jewishness. He idolized Moses, who freed ancient Israel not merely from slavery but also from the fantasy fears of guilt-ridden primitive man. But he also asserted that the great law-giver was an Egyptian murdered by the people he was leading to freedom. This convoluted work is a farrago of speculation, half-truths and indigestible ideas.

Freud's central formulations remain as an enduring contribution, not only to the science of the mind, but in every activity concerned with the cultural life of man. Among the great pioneers, he will always be known as one who has disturbed the world's sleep.

Opens on Jan. 10

Susan Merson stars in Posluns production

TORONTO —

"Reflections of a China Doll," the next production at the Leah Posluns Theatre (Jan. 10 to Jan. 24) has been called "a theatrical tour de force."

Written by and starring Susan Merson, the play is the tale of one woman growing up in Jewish America. According to an article in the Southern Israelite, a newspaper based in Atlanta, "the play reflects life in light of contemporary realities, showing that old-fashioned goals don't always occur."

In the same article, Merson says: "I recognize that I'm a Jew and I asked myself where does my Jewishness come from and how does it influence me. So I started at the beginning of my life."

In her play, the 29-year-old actress deals with memories that span the anguishes and anxieties of her first acting experience at 13, the college years, her father's death, her first sexual encounters, years as a struggling actress, and finally, coming home and meeting with her mother on a woman-to-woman level.

For two years Merson starred as Mary in the off-Broadway hit "Vanities." She has also worked at the American Shakespeare Festival, the Long Wharf Theatre, the Hartford Stage Company and the Goodman Theatre.

But Merson may be best known for the time she spent on Bradway in France Zeffirelli's production of "Saturday, Sunday, Monday." She was seen in that play along with Eli Wallach and Sada Thompson.

Susan Merson

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Many glorious gardens in the Southern U.S.

By JAMES MONTAGNES

For those who miss their gardens during Canada's long winter, the southern United States offers an opportunity to visit some gardens which bloom all year.

Bellingrath Gardens is in the suburban Theodore area of Mobile, Alabama. On some 800 acres, more than 200 varieties of azaleas are grown, there are more than 2,500 camellias in hundreds of varieties, flowering shrubs include magnolia fuscata, mountain laurel, oleander, crepe myrtle, gardenia, hydrangea, althea, dogwood, wisteria and jasmine.

There are more than 70 varieties of native trees, acres of African violets in rock gardens, tropical water lilies in ponds and pools, and foliage plants line the nature walks and the small lakes on the property.

At Little Rock, Arkansas, the Arkansas Territorial Restoration boasts 13 buildings and gardens from the 1820s period. As there were no drug stores around the corner in those days, you will find medicinal herb gardens here, where lemon balm, thyme, mint, rosemary and catnip are grown.

Florida has probably more gardens for public viewing than any other southern state. Among the most popular is Cypress Gardens in central Forida with walking tours and boat rides, while on the Gulf of Mexico coast are the Busch Gardens at Tampa, Sunken Gardens at St. Petersberg, and Jungle Gardens at Sarasota.

In southeast Florida are the Fairchild Tropical Garden at Coral Gables and the formal sculptured gardens of Vizcaya on the John Deering estate in the Miami area. On the west coast of the state Thomas Edison started gardens at this winter home at Fort Myers in 1885 which are still blooming with exotic plants.

Callaway Gardens at Pine Mountain, Georgia, is a 2,500-acre sanctuary with miles of scenic drives and walking trails through wildflower and cultivated gardens. Holly, rhododendrons, and mountain laurel are at their best along the winding trails.

No one comes to New Orleans without visiting its garden area with avenues of flowering trees, camellias in winter months, city parks with tung trees and azaleas in bloom in March. A private garden, Longue Vue Gardens on Bamboo Rd., is open to public viewing with its tropical fruit trees, roses and native iris. At nearby St. Francisville is restored Rosedown Plantation, an antebellum home with 17th century French formal garden.

Beauvoir Memorial Gardens at Biloxi, Miss., is a shrine to Confederate President Jefferson Davis, with 50 acres of landscaped grounds.

North Carolina has a number of fine gardens, some of which are open all year. These include the Sarah P. Duke Memorial Gardens at Durham; Elizabethan Garden at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site on Roanoke Island; and the Glarendon Gardens at Pinehurst, open during fall, winter and spring.

South Carolina has the oldest landscaped gardens in the United States at Charleston. Middleton Place was started in 1741, and has pathways lined with camellias. North from Charleston is Magnolia Gardens with 500 verieties of camellias, cypress and live oak trees and trailing yellow jasmine.

The Botanic Gardens at Memphis, in Audubon Park, feature exotic plants, elaborate garden displays and many wild flowers.

In Charlotteville, Va., the gardens and plants along the Thomas Jefferson serpentine wall have been restored at the University of Virginia. At Norfolk, Va., there is an International Azalea Festival each spring in the Gardens-by-the-Sea. Some of the old plantation homes along the St. James River have formal gardens dating back many generations.

At Shreveport, La., 118 acres have been devoted by the American Rose Society to roses, trees, shrubs and other flowering plants. The best time to see these gardens is in April and October.

Live Oak Gardens is a 20-acre area where you can view greenhouses full of orchids, bromeliads and more than a thousand species of flowering and tropical foliage plants. It is located near New Iberia, La. There are winding paths here through groves of bamboo trees.

And while Kentucky may not have too many flowering gardens, horticultural fans like to see the magnificent fields of blue-green grass countryside around Lexington, where racehorses are numerous, walking lazily about or galloping playfully.

Washington museum tells of role Jews had in American Revolution

WASHINGTON, D.C. — An exhibition which deals with the part U.S. Jews played in building colonial society, fighting the American revolution and creating the new nation, opened last month in Washington at the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Museum.

Significantly, the exhibit, entitled "Community in Early America: 1654-1830," is the first major exhibition ever held at the museum which is located in the DAR national headquarters.

Former President Gerald R. Ford was the principal speaker at a reception officially opening the exhibition.

The exhibit which includes paintings, decorative arts objects and documents, will be on view in the museum located at 1776 D Street N.W., adjacent to Constitution Hall to March 15.

Initiator of the project was John L. Loeb, Jr., U.S. Jewish leader, philanthropist and a direct descendant of the earliest Jewish families to arrive in America. "I initiated the concept of the exhibition because I feel strongly that the story of the Jewish contributions to America before, during, and immediately after the American Revolution, have never been properly told," said Loeb, a New York investment banker.

Loeb suggested the idea for the exhibit at the Daughters of the American Revolution in honor of his late grandmother, Adeline Moses Loeb (1877-1953), who herself was a member of the DAR.

The exhibit concentrates on the families of the 23 original Jewish settlers in New York and on early Jewish immigrants who settled in other major metropolitan areas. Through paintings, decorative arts objects, and documents, each of the Jewish communities in Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Richmond, Norfolk, Charleston and Savannah is represented.

Major lenders to the exhibition include The Smithsonian Institution, The Maryland Historical Society, the Chrysler Museum at Norfolk, the American Jewish Historical Society, the Baltimore Museum of Art, the Corcoran Gallery of Art, the Carolina Art Association, Gibbes Art Gallery, Touro Synagogue and several private collectors.

Fifteen important portraits of early American Jews are on exhibit, including five portraits by Gilbert Stuart and two by Thomas Sully. Outstanding examples of silver made by Myer Myers, as well as other decorative arts, are on view.

Loeb, who last spring received an honorary degree from Georgetown University Law School here and who has recently been appointed a trustee-at-large of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, said that the museum will host a lecture series in connection with the exhibition.

The scheduled speakers are Rabbi Harold S. White of Georgetown University, Rabbi Malcolm Stern of the Jewish Historical Society of New York, Linda Simmons of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and Donald Fennimore of The Henry Francis duPont Winterthur Museum. The lectures will be held on Sunday afternoons in January at 2.30 p.m. at the DAR Museum.

Adeline Moses Loeb

Loeb, who served on President-elect Ronald Reagan's foreign affairs task force, formed his interest in American Jewish history as a result of his close relationship with his late southern grandmother Adeline Moses Loeb, who was born in Sheffield, Alabama. Her father, Capt. Alfred Huger Moses, who fought for the Confederacy, founded Sheffield, Ala., immediately following the civil war. Captain Moses' brother, Mordecai, was a 3-term mayor of Montgomery, Ala. Mordecai Moses' home in Montgomery has recently been placed on the National Historic Register.

Loeb's ancestors also include Judah Touro, Rabbi Gershom Mendes Seixas, Supreme Court Justice Benjamin Cardozo, and Emma Lazarus, who wrote the poem on the Statue of Liberty.

Artist shows love of art by running gallery tours

By NINA WOLPERT

TORONTO — Art gallery hopping may leave some people hopping with anxiety or boredom, while for others it is an opportunity to earn a living . . . sharing what one knows best.

Steven Fistell is definitely in the latter category.

The 32-year-old artist-entrepreneur is the enthusiastic originator and owner of ArtSeen Tours.

"The purpose of ArtSeen is to take the uninitiated as well as the initiated and show them how exciting art can be. It is a never-ending learning experience. This is especially true in Toronto which is fast becoming one of the top cultural centres in North America," says Fistell.

Traditional commercial galleries are only a small part of his tours. Rather, in-depth visits are arranged to an art restoration studio, parallel galleries such as craft workshops, and even to artists' private lofts.

Groups of upwards of 15 people are taken for the three to five hour tour by either Fistell or other professional artists. A meal at a neighborhood restaurant is included.

"The idea is to have an enjoyable and informative afternoon," says Fistell. "It is perfect for those out-of-towners who are tired of the usual tourist spots."

ArtSeen can be a very personal and intimate outing if participants have a specific area they wish to explore.

Steve Fistell

"Group interests prevail. There is always time to linger and ask questions. For beginning collectors, a well-orchestrated and researched tour will enable them to buy art they like without making costly mistakes. They will have greater confidence in what they choose to purchase," says Fistell.

With his own self-confidence and financing, Toronto-born Fistell started ArtSeen from scratch. He received immediate encouragement from those in the business.

"There is tremendous scope in this city for expanding non-traditional ways to increase art awareness. As far as the future goes, I can see ArtSeen expanding to include architecture and cross-country tours," he says.

Fistell, himself a magazine illustrator, is also an accomplished portrait painter.

Both the process and the physical accessibility of art are important, believes Fistell. Tour transportation is by bus and therefore suitable for all ages. Arrangements can be made for the hard-of-hearing or the disabled.

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2. **Broadlands Public School** (Victoria Park-Lawrence) Jan. 15, 8 p.m.
3. **Cliffwood Public School** (Steeles-Don Mills Road) Jan. 12, 8 p.m.
4. **Dunlace Public School** (south of 401 between Bayview & Leslie) Jan. 13, 8 p.m.
5. **Owen Public School** (Bayview-York Mills) Jan. 12, 8 p.m.

Registration will take place on January 29th at the French Immersion schools.

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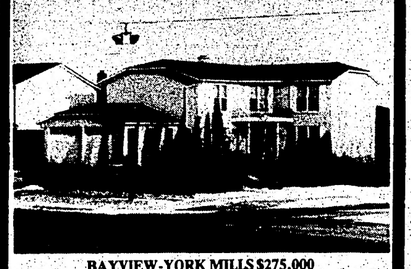

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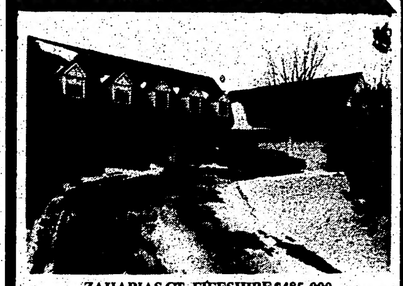

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Geller, Rose on Dec. 13/80, late of 6250 Bathurst Ave.
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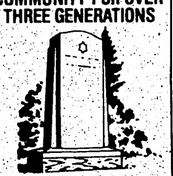

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More Arabic taught

By SIMON GRIVER

JERUSALEM — At last Israel is talking to some of her Arab neighbors. But the country will always remain linguistically and culturally isolated from the Arab world if Israelis cannot speak Arabic.

In the wake of the peace treaty with Egypt, the teaching of Arabic in Israeli schools has taken on a renewed significance.

To cater for this crucial linguistical need, and for the teaching aids which it demands, David Herman, a Jerusalem publisher and educationalist, is introducing newspapers in easy Arabic into Israeli schools. Herman, a graduate in Modern Languages from Selwyn College, Cambridge, emigrated from England in 1966. He emphasizes the importance of language in advancing the spirit of cooperation and co-existence through better communication.

"Look at Israel's President Yitzhak Navon," he says. "He is one of very few Israeli leaders who is an accomplished Arabic speaker and on his recent trip to Egypt, this helped him to win the hearts of the Egyptian people."

More than 140,000 pupils now learn Arabic in Israel's Jewish schools, which represents almost 10% of the school population. The figure would be far larger but there is a shortage of qualified Arabic teachers.

All the same, after English, Arabic is now the most commonly taught foreign tongue in Israel's schools. When Shlomo Alon and Haya Dahan, two Jerusalem school inspectors and writers of Arabic text books, were approached by Herman with the idea of publishing an Arabic newspaper, they responded enthusiastically.

Herman already publishes four easy English newpapers at various levels. Many of the 60,000 a month that he distributes are used by Arab schools, while others are taken by Diaspora schools because of their Israel content. "Learning from newspapers brightens up a lesson," explains Herman, who has extensive experience as a teacher. "When I surveyed the education scene in Israel at the beginning of the 70s, I couldn't believe there were no newpapers available to language teachers."

The Arabic newpapers are called Salamat, meaning greetings and Jaridati — My Newspaper.

Salamat is for beginners and is printed in Hebrew letters to ease pupils into the complexities of the language without the extra problem of a strange alphabet. Jaridati is for more advanced students and is in Arabic print.

And the newspapers do far more than teach the Arab language. They are also a mine of information about Arab culture. The articles contain information about the Moslem religion and thus the first issues explain the concept of the Haj (pilgrimage to Mecca).

There are humorous Arab proverbs, a photo quiz about President Sadat and a picture of the Egyptian flag, as well as features of Jewish interest. The papers are published by Good Times Ltd., POB 3576, Jerusalem.

The newspapers have been introduced on an experimental basis in the Jerusalem area, where the 25% of the population who are Arabs nearly all speak Hebrew, while very few of the Jewish majority speak Arabic.

Herman sees his newspapers as spearheading a revolution in Arabic teaching in Israel and hopes that they will contribute in the revolution from war to peace. "I am taking lessons in Arabic myself," he says. "As a semite it will be good to be able to speak both the great semitic languages."

(World Zionist Press Service)

[Ben Lechtman photo]

Joseph Berkovitz conquers his visual handicap to perfect his skating form.

Joseph Berkovits leaps, jumps and does figure 8s

Visual impairment doesn't stop skating

sports scene

By MURRAY MALKIN

Joseph Berkovits is like thousands of other Canadians. He loves the winter because it is a great chance for him to go skating. But . . . Joseph is totally blind in his right eye and he cannot see far with his left eye. And that is a big but.

However, this handicap doesn't seem to bother him in the least. And when the 30-year-old Berkovits hits the ice, he is fearless. He is a ferocious skater who zips around the ice surface like there is no tomorrow.

Berkovits leaps, he jumps, he does figure eights and he even does a bit of ice dancing. He isn't a Gordie Howe, a Bobby Hull or even a Toller Cranston. How many of us are? But all things considered, Berkovits is a damn good skater.

"I went on the ice for the first time when I was 18. It was at city hall and I was wearing a pair of used skates. My parents didn't want me to go skating, but still I went," Berkovits said.

"I fell down a number of times, so I decided to talk to a teacher of mine. He invited me to go skating and then he gave me two lessons. He showed me how to bend my knees and keep my chest forward to prevent me from falling."

The lessons obviously paid off because he's been skating a few times a week ever since those days when he was a daring 18-year-old. He told The Canadian Jewish News that he knows how to take care of himself on the ice and if he's going to fall he's not going to retract himself. "I'll fall the proper way. That way, nobody will be hurt."

A number of years ago Berkovits called the Canadian National Institute for the Blind to find out if it ran any skating programs for the visually impaired. At the time there weren't any programs, but he asked the CNIB to consider the idea.

"They put my name on a list and told me if a program was ever started that they'd call." Well, the Twilight Skating Club is in its fifth year and Berkovits now has five skating badges from the Canadian Figure Skating Association attesting to his accomplishments on the ice.

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Diane Kettner, the Ontario chairman for swimming for the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association, reports that the recent Maccabiah Festival swim meet was a huge success.

Kettner said there were a number of excellent performances turned in and she feels there are a good many Jewish swimmers who will be heard from in the future.

Some of the outstanding girls in the water were: Naomi Klein, Michelle Ghert, Renee Ghert, Vivian Sanpierre and Mazal Jacob.

The boys who put on a good showing include: Daniel Oster, Daniel Slater, Noah Rothman, Dmitzy Levin, Michael Brickman, Alan Brickman and Asaf Bigar.

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Still on swimming. Swimming is becoming the fad sport for the 80s, according to a number of stories out of New York City. And many experts are predicting that a lot of people who are "into" being in shape will give up jogging and take up swimming. Many doctors and health experts think swimming is the perfect exercise because there is little chance of injury or doing any damage to the body.

"The Swim Book," by James Wagenvoord (Bantam, $8.95) is an excellent guide for swimmers. It deals with swimming, diving, exercising, competing and conditioning.

In his book, Wagenvoord lets the reader know what different strokes accomplish. He gives a good analysis of the strokes, telling the reader what they do for the body.

Swimming is difficult to learn from a book, but anyone who knows how to swim would probably be interested in having the volume around because it provides a good source of reference.

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With National Football League playoffs in full swing, there isn't much to do except watch the game for those who don't bet a few bucks on the outcome. For many that's enough, but now even the non-betters can have some fun by reading "The Football Quiz Book," by Randy and Warren Etheredge (Clarke, Irwin & Company $4.75).

While the gamblers are worrying about the point spread, the rest of you can test yourselves on: your knowledge of nicknames, matching quarterbacks and their receivers, tidbits of incidental information and much much more.

The book is a must for all football and trivia buffs and it will help you pass the winter months when there's nothing for the sports fan to do but watch the Mighty Maple Leafs and worry about what lies in store for the Blue Jays.

Delegates meet Ethiopian Jews during the Network conference

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Network to conduct a national telethon to raise money as well as plan a "Falasha Passover."

Rob Gasner said the issue of Ethiopian Jews had taken precedence during his term and Ronen stated after he was elected that Network shares the view with the Israeli Prime Minister about Soviet and Falashan Jews — "We shall not rest until every Jew has been saved."

During the conference, delegates met a young Ethiopian Jewish girl, currently living in Canada and an Ethiopian Jewish man who was recovering from open heart surgery. Both were brought here with assistance from the Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews.

Resolutions proposed by a handicap task force called for pressure on the Canadian Jewish community and Canadian government to establish Jewish education programs available to the Jewish disabled; and including in section 15 of the proposed Charter of Rights of the Canadian constitution the inclusion of the words "mental and physical handicaps."

In a panel on the handicapped, Martin Krossel, who has cerebral palsy and is co-ordinator of the task force, said: "Think of it as a Jewish issue and our responsibility to see that a Jew has the option of living a meaningful Jewish life."

Other resolutions approved included one to send a letter to the National Budgeting Conference expressing thanks for the organization's financial support and stating a willingness to co-operate with NBC. This resolution, which also reaffirmed Network's independence, was passed unanimously.

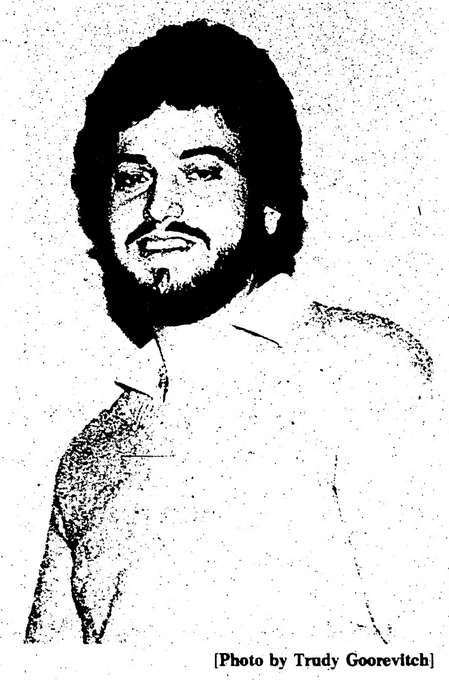
A cults task force resolution suggested regional representatives report on all levels of activities of cults, gather information and create a program package to be used to combat the cults.

A resolution from Western Region urged that future conferences attempt to find speakers from across Canada.

Resolutions from Central Region asked that Network address more issues to young adults; regional conferences should be held at least once a year and campuses should be visited by Network representatives; and in addition to a monthly newsletter, there should be a reporting system from regional representatives to the executive and back to the reps.

Plans are under way to hold next year's conference in Los Angeles — an idea encouraged by Rabbi Shlomo Cunin, director of the Lubavitch Centre in Los Angeles and a speaker at this year's conference.

As a respite from the serious discussions and issues raised during the conference, a New Year's Eve bash was held in the hotel on the final night.



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Chairperson Moshe Ronen

Haig has "positive" view

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offices who had realistic positions. I had the feeling that someone with Haig's talent and background would wind up somewhere important."

Haig's views, as expressed before Jewish audiences in 1979, were similar to Reagan's own stance during the campaign. They also coincided with those of Richard V. Allen, expected to be the national security advisor.

But since the political swing through the country, Haig has deliberately backed off. Responsible political observers here in Washington have suggested that Haig wanted to become secretary of state, and any overly "pro-Israel" tilt might kill his chances.

In recent months, Haig has clearly taken a low profile in discussing the sensitive issues of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Sources close to Haig said he was reluctant to upset America's friends in the Arab world.

The former general, very much aware of the generally warm welcome his nomination has received in Israel, can now be expected to make a concerted effort to try to reassure the Arabs that he will enter the state department with an "open mind," these sources said.

One clear signal of the direction Haig will take involves his selection of key advisors. There were reports in the Israeli press that he would ask U.S. ambassador to Israel Samuel Lewis to replace assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Harold Saunders.

But Reagan transition aides and other inside sources dismissed those reports as "highly speculative." They insisted that Haig had not yet had a chance to make any decisions about his staff.

Indeed, one long-time Washington observer said he would not be surprised to see Haig keep Saunders on the job, given their longstanding personal relationship.

Saunders, who has often irked Israeli officials because of his well-known "evenhandedness," was the Middle East staffer on the National Security Council between 1969 and 1973 when Haig was deputy director. Kissinger brought Saunders to the state department in 1973 when he became secretary of state.

According to informed sources, Haig and Saunders have a close, personal relationship — "one built on mutual friendship and respect." Privately, Saunders is reported to have confided to friends that Haig had been his first choice for the top foreign policy assignment.

A decision by Haig to keep Saunders in charge of the Middle East, of course, would please the Arabs. It would underscore Haig's desire to maintain some "continuity" in U.S. policy toward Israel and the region. Many of Reagan's more "pro-Israel" advisors, hoping for some drastic changes in policy, would be deeply disappointed.

During the upcoming confirmation hearings in the senate, the focus of most of the attention, naturally, will involve Haig's role in Watergate and during the Vietnam war. But several members of that panel are also planning to press Haig on substantive matters involving the Middle East.

According to reliable committee sources, Haig will be asked to clarify his position regarding U.S. recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Addressing the Zionist Organization of America in Miami on Oct. 27, 1979, Haig said that the United States should not negotiate or recognize the PLO so long as it "advocates views incompatible with the peace process."

But in an interview this past summer with a French journal, Politique Internationale, Haig seemed to accept the state department line that only "elements" of the PLO were terrorist, not necessarily the organization as a whole. "One must be careful in the use of the term PLO," he said, adding that the PLO had "elements with various interests."

That type of diplomatic jargon will be queried during the senate hearings.

Editor discusses Rabin

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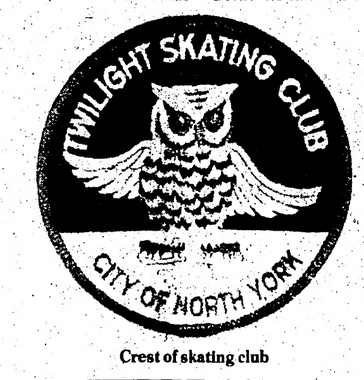
reunification of all acts of terror and a universal peace with the Palestinians is the dismantling of one or two settlements, it would become necessary for the Knesset to consider the future of the settlements.

Rath, who has been with the Jerusalem Post since 1958, said the Egyptians now receive 700 copies of the English language daily, 130 of which go directly to government officials. "Even when we are critical of Egypt, our opinions are well respected," he said.

The international edition, a weekly synopsis of events in Israel, reaches 45,000 readers in 80 countries — one of the most difficult to reach regularly is Canada. The erratic Canadian postal system often means a two to three week delay between the paper's airfreighted arrival in Montreal and its delivery into subscribers' homes. "If only a Peres government would be able to do something about that problem," Rath quipped before heading off for briefings with Canadian officials.



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Will you be in receipt of the monthly Guaranteed Income Supplement provided under the Old Age Security Act (Canada), by March 31, 1981?
Have you been continuously assessed as the owner of residential real property in the City of Toronto for five years or more immediately preceding March 31, 1981?
If you or your spouse answer "yes" to all the above questions and have not received an application form for the Tax Credit, call the City Clerk's Department, 367–7036, and ask to have one mailed to you.
You must apply each year for this credit.
The Tax Credit authorized by the City of Toronto Council, is a grant and entails no repayment of any kind.
For further information or assistance, call 367–7036.
APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 1981.
Roy V. Henderson
City Clerk